



ARTS AND CULTURE ADVISORY COMMITTEE CONFIRMED MINUTES REPORT

Tuesday, 1 March 2022

9.32 AM

at the Civic Theatre

Opening of Meeting and Announcement of Visitors

The Chair, Councillor Ann-Maree Greaney opened the meeting at 9.32 am.

Present

Councillor Ann-Maree Greaney	Chair
Councillor Liam Mooney	
Dr Ricardo Peach	Australian Festival of Chamber Music (AFCM)
Eloise Grace	Dancenorth Australia Ltd
Rachel Cook	Shed 3
Sandra Guy	TAFE Visual Arts
Terri Brabon	TheatreINQ
Dr Mark Smith	Townsville Community Music Centre
Kate O'Hara	Umbrella Studios Contemporary Arts
Christina Pappadimitriou	Community Representative
Judith Margaret Hunter	Community Representative
Sonia Warrell	Community Representative
Donna Jackson	Meeting Facilitator / Principal - Inclusive Communities, Townville City Council
Emily Molloy	Coordinator Performing Arts, Townville City Council
Jo Lancaster	Galleries Director, Townville City Council
Lachlan Welsh	Events Director, Townville City Council

Acknowledgement of Country

The Chair acknowledged the Wulgurukaba of Gurambilbarra and Yunbenun, Bindal, GuguBadhun and Nywaigi as the Traditional Owners of this land. We pay our respects to their cultures, their ancestors and their Elders – past and present – and all future generations.

Apologies and Leave of Absence

There were no apologies.

Confirm Quorum

A quorum was present at the meeting.

Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Advisory Committee meeting

There were no previous minutes.

Disclosure of Interests – Statement by the Meeting Facilitator

The Coordinator Performing Arts reminded councillors and committee members of their obligations for disclosing declarable conflicts of interest and prescribed conflicts of interest for items on the agenda.

Disclosure of Interests

There were no declarable conflicts of interest or prescribe conflicts of interest declared.

Presentations

Refer to item 1.

Agenda submissions

Item 1 ACAC Orientation

The Principal - Inclusive Communities provided a presentation on ACAC (Arts and Culture Advisory Committee) orientation which included information on the following:

- Townville City Council - Advisory Committee Platform
- ACAC Terms of Reference

Item 2 Townsville City Council information sharing

a. Townsville City Council, Arts Strategy 2020-2024

The Coordinator Performing Arts and the Galleries Director provided an overview of the Townsville City Council, Arts Strategy 2020-2024

The Chair, Councillor Ann-Maree Greaney requested feedback on the Arts Strategy from the Committee members.

b. Exhibition Programme and Gallery venue updates

The Galleries Director provided exhibition programme and gallery venue updates.

c. NAFA (North Australian Festival of Arts)

The Events Director provided an overview of the upcoming NAFA event.

d. Performing Arts

The Coordinator Performing Arts provided an overview in regards to the upcoming performing arts season.

Item 3 ACAC Advocacy Plan discussion

The Principal - Inclusive Communities provided an overview of the proposal for an ACAC Advocacy Plan and sought feedback from the Committee members on matters they wish the Committee to work on.

The Committee members provided feedback.

The Principal – Inclusive Communities whiteboarded discussion/feedback points (See attachment 3)

The Principal - Inclusive Communities requested the Committee members to provide any further feedback through the agenda submissions (system).

Committee Recommendation

That the feedback be reviewed and that response/s be brought back to Committee.

Item 4 Membership opportunities

The Committee members put forward suggestions for new committee members.

The Committee discussed the proposed committee members.

Committee Recommendation

1. That Council seek two Indigenous representatives to be members of this Committee.
2. That Council invite Better Productions to be a member of this Committee.

Confirmation of next meeting

The next Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 19 April 2022 at 9.30am at the Civic Theatre.

General Business

(i) Suggestion to invite Councillors to ACAC Committee meetings

Kate O'Hara suggested to invite other Councillors to the ACAC Committee meetings as a guest.

The Chair, Councillor Ann-Maree Greaney suggested the Committee members could do a presentation to (the Community and Cultural Development) Committee or Council. Councillor Greaney advised that this suggestion will be taken on board.

(ii) Suggestion to hold an industry long table event

Dr Ricardo Peach queried if it is possible to develop an industry long table event for the people coming in from interstate during NAFA in July.

(iii) National survey on Audience Outlook Monitor

The Principal - Inclusive Communities advised of a Meeting Action to share the national survey on Audience Outlook Monitor.

Close of Meeting

The Chair closed the meeting at 11.06 am.

**COUNCILLOR ANN-MAREE GREANEY
CHAIR**

Attachments >>

Attachment 1 – ACAC Agenda Submissions and Meeting Action Register

Attachment 2 – ACAC 2022 Meeting Schedule

Attachment 3 - Agenda Item 3 ACAC Advocacy Plan discussion – whiteboard notes

Attachment 1 – ACAC Agenda Submission and Meeting Action Register – Page 1 of 1

Action Item No.	Agenda Submission / Meeting Actions	Item	Action to be taken	Date Listed	Responsible Officer	Completed Date
22-1	Meeting Action	ACAC Advocacy Plan discussion	That the feedback be reviewed and that response/s be brought back to Committee.	1.3.2022	Principal - Inclusive Communities / Meeting Facilitator	
22-2	Meeting Action	Membership opportunities	Committee Recommendation 1. That Council seek two Indigenous representatives to be members of this Committee. 2. That Council invite Better Productions to be a member of this Committee.	1.3.2022	Principal - Inclusive Communities / Meeting Facilitator	
22-3	Meeting Action	General Business (i) - Suggestion to invite Councillors to ACAC Committee meetings	Kate O'Hara suggested to invite other Councillors to the ACAC Committee meetings as a guest. Councillor Greaney advised that this suggestion will be taken on board	1.3.2022	Principal - Inclusive Communities / Meeting Facilitator	Noted
22-4	Meeting Action	Share the national survey on Audience Outlook Monitor.	The Principal - Inclusive Communities advised of a Meeting Action to share the national survey on Audience Outlook Monitor	1.3.2022	Principal - Inclusive Communities / Meeting Facilitator	

Attachment 2 – ACAC Meeting Schedule 2022

Month	Date	Time	Location
April	Tues, 19 Apr	9.30am-11.00am	Civic Theatre
June	Tues, 21 June	9.30am-11.00am	Civic Theatre
August	Tues, 16 Aug	9.30am-11.00am	Civic Theatre
October	Tues 18 Oct	9.30am-11.00am	Civic Theatre
December	tbc	9.30am-11.00am	Civic Theatre

Attachment 3 - Agenda Item 3 ACAC Advocacy Plan discussion – whiteboard notes

Scoping advocacy areas (first discussion) – Current matters we need to address/discuss & forward thinking opportunities to build the future of the Arts Industry.

- Increase our voice & navigation into Council
 - o Community Grants
 - o Arts Industry grant and funding needs
 - o Role of Local Government funding to support State and Federal Gvt Funding options. Greater transparency in decision making and communicating outcomes.
- Increase knowledge around Council's capacity building and community development work to build stronger connections and understanding of the Artist Groups.
- Engagement with Artists – Tourer Broker Concept – helping local artist connect out; and attracting new in (Search Qld program; opportunity for NAFA to be an advocate).
- Rebuild confidence – audience attendance (impact of covid).
- Combined resources & assets – ability to work together = capacity building relationships at a grass root level.
- ACAC time –space and time to talk about the industry.

Arts based infrastructure – long term goas.

- Arts Hub / Industry Operators / Education platform to support growth, capacity building / professional development for our local Arts businesses.
- Arts Qld – Grow phase – how can we be part of this (Local Government & Local Industry).
- Education elements – student place, space & growth.