

CALL TO ORDER

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Mundelein Arts Commission was held on February 16, 2026. Chairperson Spicuzza called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

ATTENDANCE

A. Spicuzza took attendance. It indicated as follows:

Commission Attendance

PRESENT: Chairman Spicuzza, Commissioner Esson, Commissioner Justman, Commissioner Bayoneto, Commissioner Kalmanovsky, Commissioner Yim, Commissioner Arp, Commissioner Lyttle

ABSENT: Commissioner Smith, Commissioner Woodard

Village Attendance

PRESENT: Colleen Malec, Senior Planner; Erin Swanson, Recording Secretary

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

There was no public commentary.

MINUTES APPROVAL

Approval of the January 19, 2026 Minutes

S. Kalmanovsky moved, seconded by S. Arp, a **Motion** to approve the Mundelein Arts Commission Meeting Minutes from January 19, 2026

RESULT:	Passed [Yes 8, No 0, Abstained 0]
MOVER:	Commissioner Stacey Kalmanovsky
SECONDER:	Commissioner Seth Arp
AYES:	Aurelia Spicuzza, Sue Esson, Jeff Justman, Colleen Bayoneto, Stacey Kalmanovsky, Rachel Yim, Seth Arp, Dannielle Lyttle
NAYS:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

Approval of the November 17, 2025 Minutes

S. Arp moved, seconded by D. Lyttle, a **Motion** to approve the Mundelein Arts Commission Meeting Minutes from November 17, 2025. Motion passed 8-0.

RESULT:	Passed [Yes 8, No 0, Abstained 0]
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MOVER:	Commissioner Seth Arp
SECONDER:	Commissioner Dannielle Lyttle
AYES:	Aurelia Spicuzza, Sue Esson, Jeff Justman, Colleen Bayoneto, Stacey Kalmanovsky, Rachel Yim, Seth Arp, Dannielle Lyttle
NAYS:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Prior to discussing the Committee reports, the commission reviewed the current budget expenditures.

The Commission also discussed the condition of a piano that was gifted to the Commission several years ago. The Commissioners did a straw pull vote to decide whether to get rid of the piano. The commission indicated (with a vote of 6-1) in favor of getting rid of the piano. The cost of maintenance and lack of are to keep it stored were discussed as reasons to get rid of the piano.

Public Art Plan

There were no updates.

Lure of the Local

RFQ discussed.

Indoor Art Program - Discussed Alison Hausladen.

Stars on Parade

The artist is still in progress on the star.

Hand Sculpture

The Commission discussed the Hand Sculpture timeline for delivery and processing payment so the funds come out of the correct fiscal year.

Scholarships

The Commission discussed the prior year's scholarship recipients. One of the students did not return for a second semester and the College had refunded half of the scholarship.

Summer Shakespeare Shorts

A. Spicuzza has been in contact with the Kirk Players regarding the Summer Shakespeare Shorts. John from Kirk Player is looking to meet with members of the Commission to discuss further.

Mundelein Grand Prix

The next Mundelein Grand Prix date has been chosen. The Commission will be purchasing some items and specifics will be discussed in March.

S'Murals

There is a S'mural discussion with a target of the wall by Nana's Rum Cakes. The Village Marketing Department has requested to use a \$3,000 budgeted amount on a S'mural around that general location. The S'mural planned for Tony Cannoli's is also planned to go up in the Spring.

Set Sail North / Record Fair

Last meeting, S. Arp proposed a new event and record fair. It has been decided that a Record Fair will be piloted at the Mundelein Farmer's Market. C. Woodard worked with the Market Manager Bekkah, and it will be coordinated with a music-themed week. S. Arp will be looking into local records stores that may want to be involved in the record fair. The Commission discussed tentative locations and logistics for the Set Sail North music festival.

Art Pantries

No new updates on the Art Pantries. The Commission discussed a project by a member of the public that appeared last week regarding a repurposed cigarette machine to purchase small works of art.

Beautification Committee

The Beautification Committee has finalized the date of their Spring into Summer Event. It will be held on May 30th. C. Woodard requested a sandwich board with upcoming MAC events to have on display at Spring into Summer.

OLD BUSINESS

Percent for the Arts

No updates at this time.

ArtsLink North Directory

The Commission discussed the annual fee to use Arts Link North. The Commission

requested that S. Esson post information about Lure of the Local for October 16, 2026.

Motion to approve payment in the amount of \$150 for to ArtsLink North for the annual subscription.

RESULT:	Passed [Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0]
MOVER:	Commissioner Jeff Justman
SECONDER:	Commissioner Seth Arp
AYES:	Aurelia Spicuzza, Sue Esson, Jeff Justman, Colleen Bayoneto, Stacey Kalmanovsky, Seth Arp, Dannielle Lyttle
NAYS:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

Indoor Art Program

S. Kalmanovsky shared images to choose for Indoor Art Program purchase from the Lure of the Local show. The Commissioners reviewed several series of three pieces to choose from.

S. Kalmanovsky moved, seconded by D. Lyttle, a **Motion** to approve a purchase up to \$1,300 for a selection of art pieces, including labeling and signage, for the Lure of the Local Indoor Art Program. Motion passed 6-1.

RESULT:	Passed [Yes 6, No 1, Abstained 0]
MOVER:	Commissioner Stacey Kalmanovsky
SECONDER:	Commissioner Dannielle Lyttle
AYES:	Aurelia Spicuzza, Jeff Justman, Colleen Bayoneto, Stacey Kalmanovsky, Seth Arp, Dannielle Lyttle
NAYS:	Sue Esson
ABSTAIN:	None

S. Esson requested that the Mundelein Days Parade be added to the next agenda.

The Commission also discussed a future purchase of banners or signage celebrating the Arts Commission's 10 year anniversary.

NEW BUSINESS AND PROJECT UPDATES

Mundelein Arts Festival

The Park District has backed off from the Arts Festival. They are no longer hosting it.

Libertyville has traditionally held an art fair in July, and are no longer hosting it, but would like to combine with ours. Stacey has been selected to Jury the Art Festival to decide what pieces will make the show from all the submissions.

Mundopoly

A local resident is creating a Mundelein themed version of Monopoly and would like the Arts Commission to be involved. The fee would be \$150 and the Commission would need to approve a tagline for the card.

QUESTIONS, COMMENTS, AND UPDATES

No further questions or comments.

ADJOURNMENT

S. Arp moved, seconded by S. Esson, a **Motion** to adjourn the Mundelein Arts Commission Meeting of February 16, 2026. Motion passed 7-0.

RESULT:	Passed [Yes 7, No 0, Abstained 0]
MOVER:	Commissioner Seth Arp
SECONDER:	Commissioner Sue Esson
AYES:	Aurelia Spicuzza, Sue Esson, Jeff Justman, Colleen Bayoneto, Stacey Kalmanovsky, Seth Arp, Dannielle Lyttle
NAYS:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

Meeting was adjourned at 8:22 PM.



Erin Swanson, Recording Secretary