



Ketchikan Area Arts & Humanities Council

Creating and Promoting Opportunities for All Community Members to Experience the Arts

RESOLUTION: TOWARDS A DIVERSE AND INCLUSIVE KETCHIKAN AREA ARTS AND HUMANITIES COUNCIL

Resolution 2016-01

Whereas: Non-Western European art and culture have historically been undervalued in favor of Western European art and culture; and

Whereas: The Ketchikan Area Arts and Humanities Council (KAAHC) is the Arts and Humanities Council for all residents of the Ketchikan area; and

Whereas: The stated core values of KAAHC includes building community, welcoming inclusivity, enriching Ketchikan's quality of life, and educating through arts and cultures; and

Whereas: A diverse and supportive KAAHC promotes inclusivity and is representative of all members of the community, including diverse cultural backgrounds, traditions, socio-economic status, sexual orientation, people living with disabilities, and is an ideal vehicle for social and economic development

Now therefore be it resolved that:

- A. The Board of Directors of the Ketchikan Area Arts and Humanities Council reaffirms its commitment to serving the diverse communities of Ketchikan in an inclusive manner.
- B. The Board commits to incorporating multiple facets of diversity into future selections for board membership, staff positions, committee membership, grants, programs, exhibits, and events.
- C. The Board of Directors shall establish a task force whose membership shall be comprised of Board members and community members which shall review, assess, and make recommendations on current and future Ketchikan Area Arts and Humanities Council policies, procedures, and programs with the goal of establishing an inclusive Arts Council. The task force will meet quarterly during the 2016-17 season to conclude with a final report of findings and recommendations no later than August 2017. Subsequently the task force will meet bi-annually and as needed as determined by the task force to support a more inclusive and diverse Arts Council.

Further be it resolved that: The Board of Directors of the Ketchikan Area Arts and Humanities Council authorizes the Board President, Victoria Lord, to sign this resolution on behalf of the Board.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Victoria Lord".

Victoria Lord, President

September 21, 2016

Date

