Torrance Art Museum Advocates Board of Directors Meeting Minutes November 11, 2023 via Zoom

Call to Order at 9:08 a.m. PST by President Jeannine Madden. Board members present: President, Jeannine Madden; Treasurer, Patrice Lefevre Secretary, Cynthia Pallin, Curator, Max Presneill, Advocacy Chair, Denielle Johnson

Motion to approve BOD Minutes September 23, 2023 made by Patrice Lefevre. **Second** from Cynthia Pallin. No discussion. **Vote: 3:0 Motion passes.** Minutes filed on Google Drive and posted to website.

Motion to Accept & File Treasurer's Reports made by Cynthia Pallin. **Second** from Jeannine Madden. Discussion: Odyssey preliminary report discussion; there are a few outstanding fees and the two Square account payments need to be reconciled. Current Balance: 21,393.72. **Vote: 3:0 Motion passes**. Report filed on Google Drive.

President's Report included an update on the Los Angeles County Supervisor Janice Hahn grant for artist stipends. Should see the funding before the end of 4Q2023. Final report has been created and will be emailed once the funds are received.

Curator's Update from Max included dates for 2024 Nomad/Tryst on 23, 24, 25 August with a plan to ultimately divide and separate each fair having one of them in the fall and with Nomad being every other year. A request from City officials to have another Ultra! Was made however additional funds would be required from the City to occur. 'The Hub' info center through the museum to connect art-run international initiatives in being discussed. AIRs need a regular fund source for those in Taiwan & Tokyo. Final selections need to be made for Studio System 2024. TAM will be increasing their presence at international art fairs.

Advocacy Update from Denielle. She plans to thank Commissioner Lynda Kramer at the next Cultural Arts Commission Meeting for her work at Odyssey. There are no meetings in December for the Commission or the City Council. She will look at the schedule for November meetings to give a report on the success of NOMAD/TRYST/ODYSSEY. Denielle will continue to send out a report to the board before her meetings.

Membership Report shows 63 members with no expired memberships. Filed on Google Drive

OLD BUSINESS

Patrice covered the issues with Odyssey and a need for more volunteers to make this event less taxing and stressful on the few who work it. Max concurred from a TAM perspective indicating a need for more city support. Denielle pointed out the ultimate success of Odyssey was due to Patrice's efforts; everyone concurred.

NEW BUSINESS

TAMA TALKS with Luciana Abait and Hope Ezcurra are in the works for SUR:biennial. Wild artist Dodd Holsapple is also scheduled for a talk. The Window artists have been selected through 2Q2025. Cassandra Rowden has been asked to record a talk. AIR Steven Wolkoff is also interested in recording a talk.

Meeting was Adjourned 11:08 a.m. PST