The Maryland State Arts Council (MSAC) held its annual meeting in Baltimore, Maryland on June 2, 2017. Chair Shelley Morhaim called the meeting to order.

**Present:** Carole Alexander, Barbara Bershon, Carla Du Pree, Joan Lyon, Shelley Morhaim, Jack Rasmussen, Carol Trawick, Gary Vikan, Anne West, MSAC staff

**Absent:** Aileen Carlucci, Anthony Cornwell, Senator Richard Madaleno, Doug Mann, Robinson Rowe, Delegate Alonzo Washington

**Approval of Consent Agenda**
The consent agenda was approved as presented.

**Financial Report** (FY 2018)
The proposed budget for FY 2018 was approved as presented.

**Chair’s Report**
Shelley Morhaim reported the following:
- Shelley welcomed and thanked everyone for attending
- Special thanks to Julie Madden for her assistance since Theresa’s departure
- Council Kisses were presented to Councilors for their outreach efforts
- Shelley confirmed that MSAC will be hosting the 2018 NASAA conference
  - This will be a “Full” conference year
  - The last NASAA conference that was held in Baltimore was the highest attended in NASAA’s history
  - We received great feedback from all whom attended
  - Due to such great response, NASAA has been eager to have us host again
  - This will come right after MSAC’s 50th Anniversary celebration
  - We are excited to host another great event
- The Grants Committee meeting was held in May
- Thanks to Jack Rasmussen for serving as Chair

**Executive Director’s Report**
Julie Madden reported the following:
- Thanks to Liz Fitzsimmons for her support of MSAC
  - Liz will be attending more meetings in the future
- Please take note of the Council meeting dates for the upcoming year
- The Individual Artist Awards (IAA) ceremony will be held on June 26 at the American Visionary Art Museum in Baltimore
- Julie presented the GBCA/UALP funding request
  - The Council approved as presented
- The Maryland Traditions festival is on June 10
Please try to attend if you are available
Thanks to everyone for another great Council year

**MD Traditions Festival Update**
Chad Buterbaugh reported the following:
- This year’s festival will be held on June 10, at the Creative Alliance in Baltimore
  - Please take a look at the promotional materials that have been placed at your seat
  - There will be a full program on both the outdoor and indoor stages this year
  - Many of the participants have been in Maryland’s Apprenticeship program
  - We have artists from all over the State participating
  - There will be a wide variety of workshops available
  - Piñata making has returned, by popular demand
  - The event is rain or shine and is free to the public
  - There were over 5,000 attendees in previous years
  - There are many great and distinctive food options available
  - We hope to see everyone there

**MD Touring Grants**
The MD Touring grants were approved as presented.

**A&E Technical Assistance Grants**
The A&E Technical Assistance grants were approved as presented.

**Community Arts Development (CAD) Grants**
The CAD grants were approved as presented with recusal noted below:
- Joan Lyon recused herself from voting

**IAA Juror Recommendations**
The IAA Juror recommendations were approved as presented.

**Grants Committee Report**
- Please see the attached GFO Grants Committee’s Recommendation document for a complete listing of all organizations and proposed grant awards
- After Council approval, recommendations are forwarded to the Secretary of Commerce for approval

All GFO grant recommendations were approved as presented with all recusals and/or amendments noted below:
- **Arts Services** – Approved as recommended with corrections noted below:
  - Carole Alexander recused herself from voting on AEMS and Maryland Citizens for the Arts
- **Children’s Events** – Approved as recommended with corrections noted below:
  - The recommendation amount for Adventure Theatre is $179,335
- **Dance** – Approved as recommended
- **Folk and Traditional Arts** – Approved as recommended with corrections noted below:
  - The Korean American Cultural Arts Foundation should not be listed as “New”
- **Large Institutions** – Approved as recommended with corrections noted below:
  - The Lyric Foundation will receive their grant disbursement 50/50
- **Literary Arts** – Approved as recommended with corrections noted below:
  - Carla Du Pree recused herself from voting on CityLit Project
Multi-Discipline A – Approved as recommended with corrections noted below:
- Jack Rasmussen recused himself from voting on the Glen Echo Park Partnership for Arts and Culture, Inc.

Multi-Discipline B – Approved as recommended

Music A-1 – Approved as recommended with corrections noted below:
- The Washington Symphonic Brass is pending, submission of budget showing Maryland’s allocation is necessary to determine funding percentage

Music A-2 – Approved as recommended with corrections noted below:
- The Baltimore Chamber Orchestra should be listed as pending

Music B – Approved as recommended

Music C - Approved as recommended

Theater A – Approved as recommended with corrections noted below:
- The Cumberland Theatre will be pending artistic review

Theater B – Approved as recommended

Visual Arts/Media A – Approved as recommended with corrections noted below:
- Jack Rasmussen recused himself from voting on the Delaplaine Visual Arts Center and the Washington County Museum of Fine Arts
- Baltimore Clayworks will receive their grant disbursement 25/50/25, pending a meeting with the organization and submission of an acceptable plan for the future

Visual Arts/Media B – Approved as recommended

Nominations Committee Report
The FY 2018 Slate of Officers was approved as presented.

- Shelley Morhaim, Chair
- Jack Rasmussen, Vice Chair
- Joan Lyon, Secretary/Treasurer

New Business
- Citations were presented in recognition of MSAC’s departing Councilors:
- Next meeting is September 15, 2017

Adjournment