



MULTNOMAH COUNTY AGENDA PLACEMENT REQUEST (short form)

APPROVED: MULTNOMAH COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
AGENDA # C-5 DATE 7-21-11
LYNDA GROW, BOARD CLERK

Board Clerk Use Only

Meeting Date: 7/21/11
Agenda Item #: C.5
Est. Start Time: 9:30 am

Agenda Title: Requesting re-appointment of Jennifer Cies, Max M. Miller, Jr., and Brian Rice, to the Regional Arts and Culture Council Board of Directors.

Note: If Ordinance, Resolution, Order or Proclamation, provide exact title. For all other submissions, provide a clearly written title.

Requested Meeting Date: July 21, 2011 **Amount of Time Needed:** Consent Agenda
Department: NonDepartmental **Division:** Chair's Office
Contact(s): Jeff Cogen, Marissa Madrigal, Barbara Guthrie
Phone: (503) 988-3308 **Ext.** 83953 **I/O Address:** _____

Presenter(s): Eloise Damrosch, Executive Director, Regional Arts and Culture Council

General Information

1. What action are you requesting from the Board?

Recommend board re-appointment of Jennifer Cies, Max M. Miller, Jr., and Brian Rice for their second terms serving on the Board of Directors of the Regional Arts and Culture Council.

2. Please provide sufficient background information for the Board and the public to understand this issue. Please note which Program Offer this action affects and how it impacts the results.

The Regional Arts & Culture Council (RACC) is the steward of public investment in arts and culture. With its partner organizations, and through vision, leadership and services, RACC works to create an environment in which the regional arts community can flourish and prosper. RACC's five primary services are advocacy, grants to artists and organizations, public art, community services and arts education.

The RACC Board of Directors consists of 17-26 members. Five directors are appointed by the Multnomah County Chair with approval of the Board of County Commissioners; six directors are appointed by the Mayor of the City of Portland; two directors are appointed by the Clackamas

County Board Chair; two directors are appointed by the Washington County Board Chair; two directors are appointed by the Metro Council President, and eight directors are elected at-large by the RACC board, and one at-large position is designated for the chair emeritus for one year. With the exception of the chair emeritus, board members are appointed for two-year terms beginning on July 1 and expiring June 30 and are eligible for up to three consecutive terms.

Regarding who is currently serving in the Multnomah County positions, here is current list:

| Multnomah County Position # | Originally Elected | Term Ending |
|--|---------------------------|--------------------|
| #1 Brian Rice | 7/1/09 | 6/30/11 First Term |
| #2 Dr. Jerry Hudson | 7/1/10 | 6/30/12 First Term |
| #3 Jennifer Cies | 7/1/09 | 6/30/11 First Term |
| #4 Max M. Miller, Jr. | 7/1/09 | 6/30/11 First Term |
| #5 Vacant* | | |

*Our Leadership Development Committee is currently vetting a list of strong candidates to fill position 5, which was previously held by Pam Knowles. Knowles moved off the board during her second term in February 2011 due to the increased responsibilities of her work.

3. Explain the fiscal impact (current year and ongoing).

No fiscal impact

4. Explain any legal and/or policy issues involved.

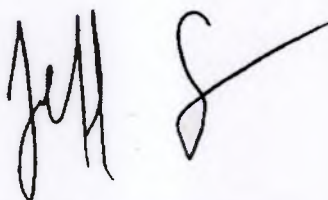
No legal and/or policy issues involved.

5. Explain any citizen and/or other government participation that has or will take place.

N/A

Required Signature

**Elected Official or
Department/
Agency Director:**



Date:

7/14/11



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June 2, 2011

TO Chair Jeff Cogen, Multnomah County Board
Comm. Deborah Kafoury, Multnomah County Board
Comm. Diane McKeel, Multnomah County Board
Comm. Judy Shiprack, Multnomah County Board
Comm. Loretta Smith, Multnomah County Board

CC Barbara Guthrie, scheduler, Office of Chair Cogen
Marissa Madrigal, chief of staff, Office of Chair Cogen

FROM Eloise Damrosch, executive director

RE 2011 Board Re-appointments for RACC

We are writing to request your approval of three re-appointments for the Multnomah County jurisdiction that are eligible to serve a term on the Board of Directors for the Regional Arts & Culture Council (RACC), starting on July 1, 2011. Please re-appoint:

| Position# | Board Member | Re-appointment* |
|-----------|--------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 | Brian Rice | second term ending 6/30/13 |
| 3 | Jennifer Cies | second term ending 6/30/13 |
| 4 | Max M. Miller, Jr. | second term ending 6/30/13 |

Brian has provided support to The Right Brain Initiative, which works to build arts education into every school in the region. Jennifer serves as our treasurer and provides support to Work for Art, our advocacy and workplace giving program. Max serves as our secretary and supports the work of Right Brain and our Leadership Development Committee, which is working to cultivate a culturally diverse board. Biographical information and addresses follow this page.

We are committed to working in partnership with you to identify and recruit RACC board members who will represent the interests of Multnomah County to your liking, and who can help us in our mission to integrate arts and culture in all aspects of community life throughout the region. Diversity, community connections, financial expertise, and of course, a passion for the arts, are among the many criteria that we consider.

* Per RACC bylaws, each board member may serve up to three 2-year terms. There are five Multnomah County positions on the RACC board (#1-5). Position #2 is currently held by Dr. Jerry Hudson, former president of Willamette University (*first term ends 6/30/12*). Position #5 is vacant; however, our Leadership Development Committee is currently vetting a list of strong candidates.

FY2011-12 RACC BOARD MEMBER

Jennifer Cies (*treasurer*) is a marketing and product development professional currently with Umpqua Bank as Vice President of Product Strategies. Her prior experience in financial services includes several years with HSBC in Oregon and Credit Suisse First Boston on the East Coast. Jennifer has an MBA and Graduate Certificate in Nonprofit Management from Case Western Reserve University, and earned her BS in Journalism and Asian Studies from Northwestern University. She has worked overseas in India and Japan in nonprofit management, consulting and education. Her primary interests are in arts education, advocacy, theater, and opera. Her other interests include working as a volunteer community mediator and travel, especially wine-related travel. Seven years ago, Jennifer and her partner, Maria Gonzalez, chose Portland as their permanent home, in part for its world-class arts combined with its community bent and livability.

Max M. Miller, Jr. (*secretary*) is an attorney at Tonkon Torp, LLP. He is co-chair of the firm's Sustainability Practice Group, and chair of both the Environmental & Natural Resources Practice Group and the Sustainability Committee. His experience includes business transactions, regulatory proceedings, business advice, and litigation representation. His clients' industries include renewable energy, forestry and forest products, manufacturing and food processing. He is recognized by "Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business," and "The Best Lawyers in America." Max holds a B.A. in Economics from Pitzer College and a J.D. from Lewis and Clark College. His community activities include serving MetroArts, Inc.; The Right Brain Initiative Governing Committee; Portland Business Alliance Sustainability Committee; Friends of the Children Endowment Committee; The Mayor's Economic Cabinet, & Oregon State Bar Sustainability Task Force.

Brian Rice is president of KeyBank's Oregon and Southwest Washington District. Brian is responsible for growing the client base in Retail Banking, Business Banking, Commercial Banking and Key Private Bank, which provides banking, investing and trust services to the affluent – ensuring seamless delivery of those products and services to clients in their districts. In 2005, Rice was recognized by CEO Henry Meyer with a 2005 Chairman's Award. Prior to joining Key Private Bank in June 2002, Brian was vice president and market area manager for Wells Fargo Bank. Prior to that, he was branch manager and district sales manager for First Interstate Bank. Brian attended the University of Washington and the Pacific Coast Banking School. An active member of his community, he sits on the boards of local non-profit organizations, including New Avenues for Youth, the Library Foundation, SOLV, Oregon Bankers Association Portland Art Museum, and Providence Medical Foundation.

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