

Minutes, Arts and Lectures Committee Meeting, December 8, 2009, 11:00, Rankin 125. Absent: Paula Hadley, Rexford Billings, Ryan Dodger, Steve Hallers, Trinity Williams.

Meeting opened with Cate announcing that we had \$32,000 to spend for Fall 2010- Spring 2011 Academic year. Suggestions from sub-committees had been emailed to committee members previously. Thus we would discuss them and vote on them.

We began with discussion on lectures. After discussion it was determined that Danny Glover would be too expensive without some guarantee of additional funding. So, the vote was between Mark Mathabane and Daniel Seddiqui. Discussion on whether Seddiqui would be marketable for a program. Members were asked to vote on Mathabane and Seddiqui. Decision made to bring Mathabane to campus. Total cost = 5,000. (Still the possibility of a grant from the Diversity Office).

Next, we began discussion on Arts not Music. Cami informed group that Diane Wakoski was free because the Language and Literature Series agreed to fund her. Arts and Lectures will co-sponsor. The Awakening art project was discussed with interest, but it was determined that we should hold this program because the Rankin Gallery is already booked for next year. Voting resulted in Gothic at Midnight Productions being chosen. Live at Williams will split cost 50-50 and co-sponsor. Total cost = 7,500.

Next, we discussed Music suggestions. Chenille Sisters were eliminated because of lack of contact. Grand Rapids Symphony (percussion ensemble) was chosen. Total cost = 6,600 all inclusive and possibility of a workshop for grade-school kids.

The committee then voted on funding 500.00 in collaboration with the Festival of Arts for Lao Tizer, a jazz group. Committee voted yes.

Cate noted that we had 9,000.00 left to spend, so the committee decided to bring in the #2 lecture, Daniel Seddiqui (5,000) and the #2 Music, Jeremy Kittel World Band (2,500).

A total of seven events were chosen. All money was spent.

Here is the final program:

Lectures: Mark Mathabane and Daniel Seddiqui

Arts, not Music: Gothic at Midnight Productions, Diane Wakoski (free)

Music: Grand Rapids Symphony (percussion ensemble), Jeremy Kittel World Band, Lao Tizer (500.00 collaboration with Festival of Arts)

Meeting adjourned.