



**Cultural and Scientific Commission**  
**MINUTES**

**March 17, 2026**  
5:30 pm – PACE Center

- I. Bethany called the meeting to order at 5:30pm
- II. Roll Call
  - a. Commissioners: Katie Milazzo, Terri Tilliss, Robert Sanchez, Anita Linker, Irene Bonham, Allen Rosen, Tom O’Malley, Bethany Wood, Nick Geraci
  - b. Absent excused: Scott Palmer, Annie Day (on leave)
  - c. Staff: Carrie Glassburn, Suzanne Velasquez, Denise Zoglmann
- III. Approval of Minutes from January 20, 2026
  - a. Irene motioned to approve, Robert seconded the motion which passed unanimously
- IV. Staff Spotlight
  - a. Denise Zoglmann – Deputy Director - gave personal background and current breakdown of who/what she oversees and how that has developed over the years
- V. Commission Ideas on Future Meetings
  - a. Meet with other commissions
  - b. Explore other municipalities
  - c. Attend events together
  - d. Meet with other Parker departments
  - e. Art walk – crossover with PAC
  - f. History walk with Parker History
  - g. SCFD Marketing Zoom meeting, 3/25 9am-10am – Commissioners, let Carrie know if you want to listen in. We’ll get clarification at the SOP training on what capacity commissioners can campaign in official capacity vs as a private citizen
- VI. Committee Updates
  - a. Parker Arts Lecture Series (Terri) – presenters are lined up for the next season: investing, aging, early art in Colorado, weight loss drugs, serial killer case, bee keeping, how is AI changing our lives
  - b. History Committee (Bethany) – Not doing Crime & Wine, shifting focus to building content for the website to go along with the parking garage mural, working with the consultant & Parker History on remodeling the Heritage Center at the Schoolhouse
  - c. Honey Festival Committee (Tom) - date set for August 2nd, vendors are lined up, 2 new committee members, the event is growing every year – 5,000 attendees last year
  - d. Science Committee
    - (Robert) Beginning planning for next Science Night, attendance capped at 2,000 due to space limitations, brainstorming alternatives to be able to increase registrations
    - (Allen) sponsored and presented two awards at Denver Metro Regional Science &

#### Engineering Fair:

- 'Culture & Science' prize awarded to Amy Zhang, a high school senior for her project titled 'Just Look, Don't Type Enabling Intent Level Communications through Gaze Level Grounding & Disambiguation', it's a tool for those suffering from late-stage Lou Gehrig's disease to help them communicate. She invented a tool to look at an object and using AI to generate ideas & options for the person to communicate - rather than the traditional method of using their eyes by staring at letters long enough to type out letter by letter their words, which is very exhausting
  - 'Arts & Science' prize awarded to Evelyn Seevers for her project 'State of the Art; A Preemptive Look into Protecting Modern Art from Atmospheric Decay'. There's already a method to protect oil paintings but not acrylic paint. She partnered with Denver Art Museum to test degradation of acrylic paint to develop a method of protection.
- e. Strategic Planning Committee (Katie/Carrie) - plan adopted by town council, waiting for accessibility work to be completed and then it will go on the website and out to the public. Internal process for Phase I will be the focus for the first few years

#### VII. Director's Report – Carrie Glassburn

- a. Overview of past year, Strategic Plan update, changes to come in 2026, celebrating 15 years of Parker Arts

#### VIII. Promoting Parker Cultural Events

- a. Brainstorm ways to access new members, volunteers, promote what we do to new businesses etc.

#### IX. Adjournment

- a. The meeting was adjourned at 7:00pm

Next Meeting: May 19<sup>th</sup> – Location PACE Center

#### Some upcoming events:

- March - Goodnight Moon: A Month-Long Celebration of Everyone's Favorite Bedtime Story
- March 31st – Commission Training with Legal, PACE, 6:00-7:00pm
- April 17th – Parker Symphony, American Cinema
- April 19th – Parker Chorale, Your Choices, Our Voices