Works of Art Committee
Minutes
Sept. 22, 2006

Present: Patricia Arack, Julia Bergman, Kate Connell, Hale Guerra, Alyssa Jones, Will Maynez, Mine Ternar

1. Howard. Whales
Julia has made repeated unsuccessful efforts to communicate with Rommel Taylor at the S.F. Art Commission. She will go down to Van Ness and sit on his doorstep.

2. Grant. Prismatic Glass
Several conversations with the son of artist James Grant, Tony Grant, have not resulted in a final destination for the sculpture. Tony is planning a retrospective of his father’s work, but only of those pieces that can be hung on a gallery wall. The family has no place to store the work and no funds to restore it. The conversation will continue.

3. VandenBerge. Ceramic mural
Will has contacted the Project Manager for the Child Development Center. Julia will send Will a link to the S.F. Art Commission website, where there are color images, dimensions, etc. of works in the SFAC collection, including a good image of the “Jungle Scene”

4. Business cards
The new cards will cost $99 for 250 cards or $148.50 for 500 cards. They will be printed with 4 colors, and can be ordered online; since they will be printed digitally, no minimum # or orders is required (even if just one person orders the new cards, they will be printed). Mark Albright will receive the proofs in a few weeks. It was suggested that we add a 10% surcharge to each order as a donation to the W/A account. Julia will see if this can be done.

5. Art Guide
Patricia will design a poster to promote the sale of the Art Guide.

6. John Adams Mural
Mary Marsh has done great work to promote and advertise the re-dedication of the new mural, scheduled for Oct. 11. She will have an announcement in City Currents.

7. Olmec Head
Installation of lighting is in process. Jim Blomquist will have a structural engineer take care of the final stabilization of the piece.
8. Exhibitions
Maria Pinedo has curated an exhibit of the Mata Ortiz pottery in a Valencia Street gallery. Mine reported that the student show ends Sept. 20. Kate has been working on the installation of several exhibits in the Atrium.

9. New art proposal – Haug
If the College is going to seek new art work there should be a call for proposal and a formal process to evaluate them. The unsolicited proposal by a former student was discussed and rejected by the committee: we would have to pay for it, we would have to find a place for it. Mine will phone him.

10. New art proposal – Leslie Simon
The committee supports Leslies interdisciplinary proposal for a poetry garden in the under utilized space between Cloud and Science.

11. Aztec Calendar
Mazatzin, a scholar & lecturer on the Aztec calendar, has consulted with numerous faculty and administrators in the District, including Trustee Ramon, about the proposed project. It will go forward.

12. Evans Campus Mural
Hale Guerra will meet with people at Evans to determine what they want to do, and how they will do it.

13. Student Union Mural
The Dolores Huerta portrait needs to be cleaned and restored. Student representative Alyssa Jones will carry this project to the Associated Student Council.

14. Rivera Update
Julia is reading Lucienne Bloch’s diary to determine if there is any mention of Pablo Davis, a 90-year old Detroit artist, referred to CCSF by Masha Zakheim. Davis says that at the age of 16 he worked on the Detroit mural with Rivera; he is anxiously trying to locate documentation about his role for a possible future documentary film about his life and work. Will is trying to help Davis locate a portrait of Marilyn Monroe that Davis painted for Arthur Miller.

Will and Julia dined with Adriana Williams and discussed the possible future of the Covarrubias maps, now restored and on a two-year exhibition tour in Mexico.

All other agenda items tabled.