

York Creative District Advisory Board Minutes

August 27, 2025

Present: Clark Roush (Director, York University), Sue Crawford (City of York), Madonna Mogul (Chamber), Trent Bruntz (York Public Schools); Annie Redfern (independent artist).
Absent: Alex Saathoff (York Visitor's Bureau), Kirby Crawford (business artist); Elise Owens (Yorkshire Theater); Lisa Hurley (YCDC)

The Open Meetings Act announcement was made. The meeting was published in the York News Times on August 20, 2025.

The approval of the minutes of the June 18, 2025 meeting were tabled until the next meeting as a quorum had not yet arrived.

Cultural Festival

Discussion was held concerning whether to postpone the tentatively planned October 11, 2025 Cultural Festival. After conversation about preparations and conversations about the advantages of alternating years with the Cultural Festival, Redfern moved and Mogul seconded a motion to postpone the Cultural Festival in 2025.

Discussion included recognizing the importance of recruiting staff from the member institutions to help with organization and continuity for festivals.

Grant Updates

Auditorium – Curtains ordered and installed.
Yorkshire – Lights ordered and in process. Sound equipment pending.
Mural- Call for artists is out. Discussion of additional outreach.

Budget Updates

Spread sheet – Review of spreadsheet process for fiscal tracking for projects and grants.
Proposed for 25/26 - City budget includes \$10,000 for Creative District in LB 357 funds

Committee Updates

Visual Arts – Call for Mural for grant mural project is out; Nebraska Women's Correctional Center mural project is near completion; Mural project with state-wide J.A.G. high school students begins soon. Creative District is supporting with \$1,000 grant and endorsement of project. The mural will be at the school.
Events – Collaboration with Chamber on planning for Adult Prom 2026.

Next Meeting: October 22, 2025 – City Council Chambers