1. Welcome and Call to Order

Commission Chair Zeeman welcomed member Commissioners and guest James Swindell. The regular meeting of the Arlington Commission for the Arts was called to order at 7:09 pm.

2. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve minutes from the December 20, 2017 regular meeting was made by Commissioner Hensley and seconded by Commissioner McFail. The motion passed unanimously.

3. Chair’s Report

- Chair Zeeman announced that Commissioner Annie Sweeney resigned from the Arts Commission because of her work load and personal issues. On behalf of the Commission, Zeeman acknowledged Sweeney’s contribution and expressed appreciation for her work on behalf of the arts in Arlington.
- Zeeman also announced that he is stepping down as Chair of the Commission effective March 1, 2018. The County Board will appoint a Chair at their February meeting. Vice Chair Semmel will be recommended to serve as Chair.

4. Cultural Affairs Division Chief’s Report

- Director Isabelle-Stark provided an activity report for CAD (see Attachment 1).

5. Grants Committee Report

- Commissioner Worden represented the Grants Committee and presented the Committee’s approved draft of FY 2018 Challenge Grants Guidelines for consideration (Attachment 2).

Motion made to approve the FY 2018 Guidelines [with modifications noted during the discussion] was made by Commissioner Worden and seconded by Commissioner Hensley. The motioned passed unanimously.
6. **Strategy Committee Report**
   - Commissioner Semmel and Committee members Dunn and McFail conducted an interactive exercise with all commission members based on the key points of the Enriching Lives strategic plan in order to build on the goals and strategies and link them to specific County-based examples and stories. Outcomes of the exercise will be discussed at future meetings.

7. **Public Art Committee**
   - Commissioner Hensley reported on several activities underway related to Long Bridge Park and Reid School.

8. **Arts and Diversity Committee**
   - Commissioner Dietz-Chavez reported that the Committee will meet on February 3.

9. **Cultural Facilities Task Force**
   - Commissioner Sarli reported that the Task Force will be holding a community visioning session on March 3, 2018.

10. **Update on Local Projects**
    - Youth Project – No Report.
    - Four Mile Run Valley Plan—Chair Zeeman reported that the Working Group has not met.
    - Master Spaces Working Plan (POPS) – Commissioner Sarli reported the draft report is under review and a worksession with the County Board is being planned.

11. **Old Business**
    - None

12. **New Business**
    - Commissioner Carlson provided information about an Arlington Visual Arts Studio Tour planned for the Fall.

13. **Adjournment**

   *The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 pm.*