WPB Arts Committee
Minutes
April 25, 2017

In attendance: David Ginople (chair), Mary Antonakos, Dan Murphy, Charlie Rees, Pamela Maass (executive director), Jessica Wobbekind (managing director), Michael Ashkenasi (ssa program specialist)

1. The committee discussed updates on on-going projects
   a. One Big Thing- permit is in process
   b. Wicker Tree- JW submitted proposal to the Park District, waiting to hear back, unsure of the time it will take

2. The committee reviewed the proposals for Wicker Park Fest
   a. Play Big by Andrea Jablonski and Laura Miracle- it is more activation than art, maybe better for the kids area.
      i. Substitute something else for the big jenga, instead of another game, can we up the performance aspect?
      ii. JW will follow up with the artist and learn more about the performance part
      iii. The committee would love the whimsy of the bicycles as seen in the pictures.
   b. Life’s a Balance, ChisTina Murphy- this would also be good for the kids area.
      i. CR- it is whimsical, would like to see it on a platform
      ii. Mary A.- it is safer on the ground in case people climb it
      iii. DG- or it can go on a platform and have a do not touch sign
      iv. Can we add barricades in the evening?
      v. Mary A.- there is some concern that it could invite “nasty pictures”
      vi. DM- we have lights and could use them if there is power

Motion: to approve the funding of the “Play Big” and “Life’s a Balance” in the Wicker Park Fest Arts Section in an amount not to exceed $10,000 from line item 2.06 (public art).

3. New Business:
   a. DM would like to propose the installation of two pieces on platforms (a steel plinth or platform bolted to the sidewalk) that can be purchased outright or leased over for a certain amount of time.
      i. Mary A- this needs to come through a process
      ii. JW will talk to Brent
      iii. Mary A- this is a great idea, we could have an art walk, artists could sell their art, we could be the venue to show it
      iv. DG- the planters on North Ave would be a good location