

Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State Colleges

Facilities

POLICY NAME: Works of Art Related to Capital Construction

POLICY NUMBER: 8067

A. PURPOSE

To make provisions for the inclusion of appropriate art in College facility projects using state tax funds through a specific appropriation approved by the Legislature.

B. DEFINITIONS

None

C. POLICY

1. Funding Art

- The Board, in consultation with the Nebraska Arts Council, shall determine the amount of money to be made available for the purchase of art for each project under its supervision.
- At least one percent (1%), minus applicable deductibles, of any appropriation for the original construction cost of certain public building under the supervision of the Board shall be spent for the acquisition of works of art.
- The requirement for committing funds to art shall not include repair shops, garages, warehouses or buildings of a utilitarian nature.

2. Art Selection Committee

- The President to which an appropriation is made for the construction, expansion or renovation of a public building will appoint an art selection committee consisting of a minimum of three (3) members for the purpose of advising the President on art for eligible projects.
- The committee should be established at the earliest practical time after appropriation of design funds. The decision as to whether the art is to be an integral part of the structure, attached to the structure, detached within or outside of the structure or exhibited in other public facilities should be made prior to the design of the project and shall be made by the President with the advice of the committee and the architect.

- The committee shall be responsible for advising the President on the type of art; the selection and commissioning of an artist; the design and execution of the proposed work of art; placement and acceptance of the work of art.

3. Nebraska Arts Council

The President shall consult with the Nebraska Arts Council prior to any formal action by the Board. Consultation should cover the amount of funds available for art, the type, placement and acceptance of art, the selection and commissioning of an artist and the proposed art design.

4. Approval of Art

The President will get approval of funding, the artist and the proposed art design by the Board.

5. Art Commissioning

A contract may be conditioned upon later refinements in scope and price and may permit the College in agreement with the artist to make changes in the project without invalidating the contract. Later refinements shall not exceed the scope of the program statement contained in the request for proposals.

6. Placement of Art

The work of art may be an integral part of the structure, attached to the structure, detached within or outside of the structure or may be exhibited by the Board in other public facilities.

FORMS/APPENDICES:

None

SOURCE:

Legal Reference:	Neb. Rev. Stat. 85-304.01	Nebraska State Colleges; new capital construction; appropriation; percentage used for works of art; when.
	Neb. Rev. Stat. 85-304.02	Board of trustees; works of art; duties.
	Neb. Rev. Stat. 85-304.03	Board of trustees; insure compliance with sections; manner.
	Neb. Rev. Stat. 82-316	Nebraska Arts Council Cash Fund; created; deposits; disbursements; investment.

Neb. Rev. Stat. 82-317	Public buildings; artwork; declaration of policy.
Neb. Rev. Stat. 82-318	Public buildings; artwork; terms; defined.
Neb. Rev. Stat. 82-319	New state capital construction; appropriation; percentage used for works of art; when.
Neb. Rev. Stat. 82-320	Nebraska Arts Council; duties.
Neb. Rev. Stat. 82-321	Construction project; artwork; committee; created; members; duties.
Neb. Rev. Stat. 82-322	Nebraska Arts Council; promulgate rules and regulations.
Neb. Rev. Stat. 82-323	Nebraska Arts Council; artists; how chosen.
Neb. Rev. Stat. 82-324	Nebraska Arts Council; insure compliance prior to payment; manner.
Neb. Rev. Stat. 82-325	Public buildings; expenditures for works of art; contracted separately.
Neb. Rev. Stat. 82-326	Public buildings; appropriation; works of art; administration and installation; art maintenance fund.
Neb. Rev. Stat. 82-327	Public buildings; works of art; how displayed.
Neb. Rev. Stat. 82-328	Public buildings; works of art; property of State of Nebraska; sale of reproductions.
Neb. Rev. Stat. 82-329	Public buildings; works of art; Nebraska Arts Council; maintain inventory; inspect; recommend procedures.

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