

RESOLUTION NO. 17-02

**A Resolution of the Scientific and Cultural Facilities District
Pertaining to Defining Literary Arts**

WHEREAS, Commencing January 1, 2017, C.R.S. §32-13-103(4) defines cultural facility as an organization that is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit or an agency of local government with the “*primary purpose* of enlightening and entertaining the *public* through the production, presentation, exhibition, advancement or preservation of visual arts, performing arts or cultural history, as such terms are defined by the board;” and

WHEREAS, C.R.S. §32-13-107(b)(I)(D) requires that to receive such funds an organization “shall have been in existence, operating and *providing service to the public*. . .” for a period of five or seven years, depending on the statutory requirements; and

WHEREAS, C.R.S. §32-13-107(3)(b)(I)(B) requires that “any such facility shall have its principal office within the district, shall conduct the majority of its activities within the state of Colorado, and shall *principally benefit the residents of the district*; and

WHEREAS, C.R.S. §32-13-106(2)(k) requires that to receive SCFD funds, an organization must demonstrate its “financial and organizational capacity to expend tax dollars *to serve the public* and achieve the mission of the organization;” and

WHEREAS, C.R.S. §32-13-106(2)(d) authorizes the SCFD Board of Directors to engage staff to assist the Board in its duties and develop such procedures and instructions to implement board policy as authorized by the SCFD statute; and

WHEREAS, SCFD staff convened a representative group of SCFD recipient literary arts organizations and individuals to develop a proposed definition of literary arts that meets the above statutory criteria and has vetted that definition with a broader group of organizations to develop a definition that reflects current and potential future programming and activities that are based in the literary arts; and

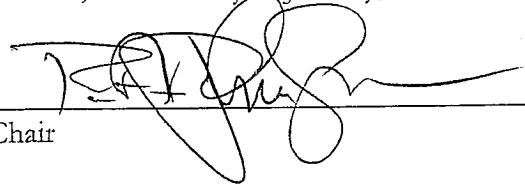
WHEREAS, The Board of Directors issued public notice of this proposed policymaking process and afforded an opportunity for public comment at its regular monthly board meeting on January 26, 2017;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL FACILITIES DISTRICT AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The SCFD Board of Directors hereby adopts the following definition of literary arts for eligibility purposes pursuant to C.R.S. §§32-13-107(3)(b)(I)(A) and 32-13-107(3)(c)(I)(A).

The Literary Arts are original and imaginative writings that express emotional, psychological, intellectual, and spiritual insights. They connect people with one another in diverse and meaningful ways, such that the public is entertained and inspired. The Literary Arts encompass a wide range of mediums, both written and spoken, and may serve as elements in creative productions including, but not limited to, stage plays, readings, performances, films, digital media, and collaborations with other art forms.

Introduced and approved at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Scientific and Cultural Facilities District, the 26th day of January, 2017.



Chair

ATTEST:



Secretary

