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On Monday, April 21, 2008 the Warren County Arts & Culture Center's Board of Trustees recommended to proceed with Phase Two of the Art & Culture Center's feasibility study. Phase Two will consist of phone surveys conducted with residents of Warren County and will focus on a household's current and future engagement with art communities. Results and recommendations from the phone interviews are expected to be completed within the next four to six weeks.

The recommendation by the Board followed a presentation of findings gathered during Phase One of the Warren County Art & Culture Center's feasibility study. Arthur Greenburg of AMS Research discussed the results of personal interviews held with community leaders in the arts, educational and governmental communities within Warren and Butler Counties as well as the Cincinnati/Dayton metro areas. Mr. Greenburg connected the themes that surfaced during the interview process with demographic information of Warren County and the Southwest Ohio region. Preliminary findings demonstrated the need from service providers (arts, visual and educational communities) for a facility with a 350 – 450 seat capacity. A facility of such capacity would allow local arts groups a venue they could use on a regular basis and afford regional arts organization the ability to bring collaborative programming to Warren County.

Phase Two of the feasibility study will involve a phone survey to confirm or deny the Phase One findings of the aid in determining if the product capacity desired by local and regional arts groups will be met by the citizens of Warren County and the region, along with phasing options. Also, case studies will be developed around similar sized venues to flesh out ideas and/or create niche concepts.

Any additional comments and/or questions should be forwarded to Dan Cunningham, Warren County Arts and Culture Center Board Chair at (513) 849 3959

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