Minutes Cultural Council Feb. 27, 2023 6 p.m.

Present: Patek, Curran, Antrim, Radlberger, Turino, Chang, Blaich

6:06 p.m.

- 1. Minutes accepted: Motions: Ken, Tanya.
- 2. Approve Annual Report approval: Motions: Tanya, Ken
- 3. Council Community outreach ideas to generate goals for our next cycle: need to update our website description, so we looked at those of other local towns and we focused on Ipswich. Ellen and Vi will put together a draft and will send it out to everybody for review at next meeting. We need to encourage as many people as possible to apply for grants, but people do not know how CC works. We need to get community output. We can think about this and by August figure out what we want to do. We should prepare a presentation for BOS mtg. Send info to schools. We could start the next cycle with an invitation to public to meet with CC to learn about us, just like the Community Preservation Commission.
- 4. Focus of our CC: Children, youth and diversity.
- 5. Ideas for events: events always need organizers it could be us maybe not. Maybe a pop up exhibition @ Ellingwood Chapel one weekend or Town Hall. Peg is interested in working on this general topic. We could reach out to a few people if they are willing to take on an event. The Whitlocks have been involved in past events.
- 6. Create a flyer: we need a flyer to explain how we function and how we help the community. Provide it at Laliberte events about CC – recipients are required to publicize CC funding. Also post info on Residents Facebook.
- 7. Treasurer: Regina: met w/ Nieto re funds and process to make a payment. Invoice to Nieto w/ info. She pays. Our existing report is on MACC website. Regina takes care of forms. Payment is after performance, but there can be an exception as in printing programs before an event. Nieto will send reports to us so we know how much money we might have left.
- 8. MA site: we are listed under contacts. Please check to make sure everything is correct.
- 9. Next meeting: Monday April 24. In person. 6 p.m. Town Hall.
- 10. End this part of mtg: Motions: Tanya. Regina. Katarina recused herself from the meeting in accordance with Conflict of Interest Law, thus allowing the Board to vote on her grant proposal.
- 11. Start of discussion of Katharina's program: she revised her budget. Ends up at same amount. Added video recording. Accept her proposal: Motions: Peg. Vi.
- 12. New Chairman: Ken: too busy. Vi nominated Peg. Let's discuss at next meeting.
- 13. Adjourn: Motions: Ken. Peg. 6:50 p.m.

Submitted by Patek on 4/12/2023 and approved on 4/24/2023.

Respectfully submitted to Town Clerk by Curran on 5/12/2023.