MEETING OF THE SEEKONK ARTS COUNCIL for 2017 LCC GRANTS

December 5, 2016, 6pm. Dining Meeting Room, Seekonk Town Hall

Present: William Clark, Sharon Clarke (co-chair), Alex Dunwoodie (co-chair), Christine DeCesare (Treasurer), Stuart Montgomery, Tim Tolman No members of the public attended

We welcomed new member Christine DeCesare to the Committee, she has accepted role of Treasurer.

The previous summer we conducted the community outreach requirement of the Massachusetts Cultural Council, which is done every 3 years. We followed the MCC's community questionnaire as a template, and provided copies to the public at the Seekonk Library; at the Seekonk Artist Network Art Show at the Meadow's celebration; and they were given to venues who routinely apply for grants, like the senior center and the schools. A helpful suggestion we received and will follow through with is creating a Facebook page to get news out.

The Council received 25 applications. Members read each prior to meeting and each were discussed at meeting. Consideration given to our local council's priorities, which are: events/artists sponsored by local community organizations; proposals involving local artists; proposals connected to local events & venues; proposals tied to a curricula at the schools; proposals that reach an underserved population; new projects or projects underrepresented in the community; proposals where organizations contribute to the funding.

Fifteen were awarded grants totaling \$4705. Members of the council were assigned grantees to serve as council contact and help as needed.

Author Workshop, Aitken School		\$695
Ocean Adventures, Martin School		\$350
Pastel Paint, Library		\$385
Mock United Nations, SHS		\$100
Elvis performer, Senior Center		\$100
Ed the Wizard, Library		\$450
LEGO Movie making, Middle School		\$250
Nudging Imagination, Martin School		\$350
Noteworthy, Library		\$150
Year End Band, Middle School		\$600
High Art Show, Attleboro Art Museur	n	\$200
Singing Bard		\$100
To Life, Story Telling at Meadows		\$425
Meditation Walk		\$300
Roots of Harmony		\$250
Total:	\$4705	

Notes submitted by Alex Dunwoodie