

MINUTES OF THE WELLFLEET CULTURAL COUNCIL
April 5, 2010
WELLFLEET PUBLIC LIBRARY, 6:30pm

PRESENT: Tom Cole, Martha Carroll, Heather Draz, Katie Hickey, Laura Kozak, Gigi Ledkovsky, Janet Lesniak, Ennie McDonald, Jan Morrissey, Kim Shkapich, Susan Weegar

ABSENT: None

MINUTES FROM March 10, 2010: March 10, 2010 meeting minutes were accepted.

OLD BUSINESS

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer Ennie McDonald reported that as of February 27, 2010, WCC's bank account balance was \$7,671.11. Ennie also reported that several small expense reimbursements were made to WCC members since that date, and a 2010 reimbursement request recently was received from Wellfleet Elementary School.

Secretary's Report: Recording secretary Jan Morrissey reported that the signed contract for the TIDES Dance event was received in the mail. She handed over the contract and all other mail to Chair Susan Weegar. Susan circulated a thank you note from 2009 grant recipient Dennis Cunningham.

Liaison Reports:

- Martha Carroll reported that Melissa Nussbaum will present her play, "Dona Paula Hernandez of Santa Cruz," on May 5 at 7pm at the Wellfleet Library. Ms. Nussbaum is coordinating the event with Youth Services Librarian Martha Gordon.
- Jan Morrissey reported that the April 1 Wellfleet Library showing of episodes 1 & 2 of "Hit and Run History: The Columbia Expedition" was interesting and fun, but not well attended, even though the event was well publicized. Heather Draz reminded Jan to follow up with the library to make certain a DVD of the episodes is donated to the library, as per the grant application.
- Katie Hickey reported that she would be picking up the WCC banner for Denya Levine's event at the Wellfleet Council on Aging.
- Heather Draz reported that the Stress Management presentation at Wellfleet Elementary School was very well received. Heather previously forwarded to council members a thank you note and photos she received via e-mail from the school.
- 2009 grant recipient Nate Johnson spoke with council members about his unsuccessful attempts to secure an exhibition space before his May 1 extension deadline. Mr. Johnson reported that the Wellfleet Council on Aging did have a June opening, however, and council members unanimously agreed to grant Mr. Johnson another extension. Mr. Johnson informed members that his photographs of Wellfleet seniors will be donated to the Wellfleet Historical Society after the exhibition, and each senior will receive an 8x10 copy of their photograph.

Reception for Grant Recipients: Members reserved the large meeting room of the Wellfleet Public Library for Saturday, June 5, from 10am to 12pm, for a reception to honor grant recipients. Members agreed to discuss reception details and the invitation list at the next WCC meeting.

Job Descriptions: The executive committee agreed to meet at Susan Weegar's house on Thursday, April 22 at 6pm to compile formal job descriptions.

Request for Town Funding: Members agreed to continue pursuing town funding. Further discussion was tabled until September, when the annual town budget process begins.

Solicitation Letters: Members discussed whether or not to send solicitation letters, and also discussed possible mailing lists. Kim Shkapich suggested WCC buy a taxpayer mailing list from the town and have a

bulk mailing firm handle the mailing. Martha Carroll felt WCC should not be doing a solicitation mailing right now because of the difficult economic climate. Members briefly discussed the pros and cons of a solicitation mailing before deciding to table the discussion until September.

April 10 & 11 Tides Dance Extravaganza:

- Publicity committee members Kim Shkapich, Martha Carroll, Jan Morrissey, and Tom Cole reported that publicity efforts for the Tides Dance Company (TDC) event were complete. Posters were distributed from Hyannis to Provincetown; press releases and photos were sent to Cape and Boston media outlets, with some follow-up phone calls; PSA's for local radio and TV stations were recorded; and the event was listed on online event calendars. Susan Weegar reported that the event will be featured on the front page of the April 8 Provincetown Banner arts section. In addition, an article ran in the Barnstable Chronicle, the Cape Cod Times may run an article, and other feature articles and interviews are expected.
- Susan Weegar reported that 2010 grant recipient Denya Levine volunteered to perform at Saturday's pre-show reception. John Connors will handle all details relating to serving the oysters, and Tides director Naomi Turner, who owns Chatham Chocolate Manor, will bring chocolate covered strawberries and truffles. Prosecco is being donated by the Wellfleet Market and the Wellfleet Spirits Shoppe. Laura Kozak also contacted Town Centers Wine and Friends Market about donating prosecco. Wellfleet Harbor Actors Theater (WHAT) will provide plastic champagne glasses and napkins, and WCC will supply ice for the event. Susan has asked Wellfleet Market for flowers at cost, and Gigi Ledkovsky offered to purchase bread from PB Boulangerie.
- Members agreed that sponsor name cards should be placed on tables at the reception.
- TDC, WHAT, and WCC will each receive six complimentary tickets. Susan will oversee distribution of WCC's comp tickets to sponsors and WCC members who could not attend otherwise.
- Members agreed to print additional solicitation letters to be used as inserts in event programs. Susan will buy a ream of colored paper and have 300 letters printed at Staples.
- WHAT artistic director Jeff Zinn will give the pre-show curtain speech.
- WCC reception committee members Susan Weegar, Janet Lesniak, Gigi Ledkovsky, and Laura Kozak will help at the reception.
- Members discussed who would be attending the Saturday and Sunday performances.

MISCELLANEOUS

Tax Exempt Certificate: Jan Morrissey offered to talk to town treasurer Dawn Rickman about obtaining a sales tax exempt letter for the WCC.

Resigning Council Members: Ennie McDonald will be leaving Wellfleet, at least temporarily, in the fall, and therefore will be stepping down from the council at that time. Also, due to other pressing obligations, she would like to handover the treasurer's job to another council member as soon as possible. Laura Kozak announced that due to other pressing obligations, she will also be stepping down from the council. Members thanked Ennie and Laura for their years of service and their many contributions to the council.

Change in Meeting Time and Day: Several members requested WCC meetings be moved from the first Monday of every month due to a recurring conflict with Wellfleet Forum meetings. Members agreed to move the meetings to the second Monday of each month. It was also agreed that meetings begin at 6pm.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting of the Wellfleet Cultural will be held at 6:00pm on Monday, May 10, 2010 in the large meeting room of the Wellfleet Public Library.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm.

Respectfully submitted by Jan Morrissey, recording secretary