

MINUTES OF THE WELLFLEET CULTURAL COUNCIL
June 14, 2010
WELLFLEET PUBLIC LIBRARY, 6:00pm

Present: Tom Cole, Martha Carroll, Katie Hickey, Gigi Ledkovsky, Janet Lesniak, Ennie McDonald, Jan Morrissey, Kim Shkapich, Susan Weegar

Regrets: Heather Draz, Laura Kozak

Also Attending: Polli Moryl-Oliver

Chair Susan W. called the meeting to order at 6 pm.

Minutes

May 10, 2010 meeting minutes were unanimously accepted with corrections.

Treasurer's Report

There was no treasurer's report.

Recording Secretary's Report

Jan M. reported the receipt of reimbursement requests from Massachusetts Audubon, "Hit & Run History: The Columbia Expedition," and "The Water Project." These requests, as well as a poster sent by Tides Dance Company, were turned over to the Chair. The Secretary also reviewed guidelines for proper storage of Cultural Council files, and members discussed streamlining Council meeting minutes.

Chair's Report

Susan W. reported the following:

1. WCC's net income from the Tides Dance fundraiser has been revised from \$1,675.97, as reported at last month's meeting, to \$1,821.31.
2. The Senate approved a state budget for the coming fiscal year that calls for \$9.25 million to support the arts, humanities, and sciences through the MCC, which is slightly higher than the \$9.1 million proposed by the House, but still would represent a cut of \$443,000, or 4.6 percent, from MCC's current budget.
3. Laura K. will write thank you notes to sponsors, speakers, selectmen, and the musician who participated in the June 5 LCC grant recipient reception.
4. Two members of the community have expressed interest in joining the Council.

Liaison Reports

1. A substitute liaison is needed for the July 28 "Transformations: Life into Art" program.
2. Heather D. will take over liaison duties for Cape Cod Opera's "Opera and You" program, which is scheduled for October 22 at Nauset High School

Report on Constant Contact

Janet L. presented a report on Constant Contact, an inexpensive e-mail marketing tool the Council might use to expand its outreach to the community. The tool could also serve as a conduit for grantees that the Council supports. After discussing the pros and cons of subscribing to an e-mail marketing tool and/or creating a web site that could be linked to other web sites, members unanimously agreed to continue pursuing all outreach options.

Job Descriptions

Members discussed, revised, and unanimously approved the proposed Council job descriptions.

Community Arts & Culture Survey

The Chair collected completed community input surveys. Community input will continue to be solicited until the agreed upon June 30 cutoff date. Data, which will be tabulated over the summer, will be used to formulate FY2012-2014 funding priorities, and posted on the MCC website.

Revisions to WCC Grant Application Guidelines

Members unanimously agreed not to reject grant applicants who do not include 12 copies of their LCC grant application in their application packet. Instead, these applicants will be contacted and asked to submit the required number of copies. Susan W. will revise WCC guidelines accordingly. Revised guidelines must be posted on the MCC web site no later than September 1.

Sponsors' Table at Community Garden Event

Members finalized plans for participation in the June 27 Community Garden event. WCC table display will include: WCC banner, photo exhibit board, news clippings, solicitation letter, and community surveys. Ennie M., Susan W., and Martha C. will coordinate a seedling give away, and Martha M. will appear as Blossom the Clown. Ideally, one or more members will man the table during the self-guided portion of the garden tour (12-4pm), and during the Community Garden public reception (4-6pm).

2010 Grant Writing Workshop

Members unanimously agreed to hold a grant writing workshop in September. Kim S. will contact the MCC Program Coordinator regarding potential dates.

Election of Officers

Kim Shkapich was unanimously elected Chair, and she accepted the nomination.

Janet Lesniak was unanimously elected Publicity Director, and she accepted the nomination.

Ennie McDonald was unanimously re-elected Treasurer, and she accepted the nomination.

Jan Morrissey was unanimously re-elected Recording Secretary, and she accepted the nomination.

Laura Kozak. was unanimously re-elected Corresponding Secretary in abstentia.

The outgoing Chair agreed to update officer election information on the MCC and town web sites.

Next Meeting

Time, date, and location of the next meeting of the Wellfleet Cultural Council to be decided. Members will be notified by e-mail.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by consensus at 8:05pm.

Respectfully submitted by Jan Morrissey, Recording Secretary