

## WESTMINSTER CULTURAL COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF THE MEETING

**November 1, 2023** 

**Members Present:** Pat McAllister, Cindy Flynn, Bette Roy, Jo Grant, Patricia Gendron, Nancy Swanson, Jonathan Harvey, and Jim Hedlund. Sammi Dawley was absent.

Pat McAllister opened the meeting at 10:02 A.M.

**Minutes:** The minutes were read and a correction to the spelling of Audra's last name was made. Jim Hedlund motioned to approve, seconded by Bette Roy. Unanimously accepted.

**Treasurer's Report:** Jo Grant presented the Treasurer's Report which is attached to the minutes of this meeting. There is \$250.00 left in the funds from last year. There is \$13,370 for this year. Nancy Swanson motioned to accept the report as presented, Cindy Flynn seconded. It was unanimously approved.

**New Member:** Pat McAllister welcomed new member Jo Grant.

**Old Business:** The survey was sent with the Town Census. More entertainment was requested.

Printing of panel books was \$190.81. Nancy moved to reimburse Pat for the printing, seconded by Jonathan.

**New Business:** The committee discussed the grant applications. Those without letters of recommendation were eliminated, along with those not taking place in Westminster. Pat Gendron moved to send a letter of rejection to those applicants with the proviso that they can correct the condition and reapply before the deadline, seconded by Bette Roy.

The remainder of the applications were read, discussed, motions made and motions approved by all of the committee members. The next pages have a listing of the titles, applicants, amounts requested, and amounts given.

Project Title	Applicant	Amount Req	Amount Given
Under One Sky	Davis Bates	375	375
Circle of Artists	Karen Sargent	500	0
Songs of Yesteryear	Denis Cormier	150	0
Moon Gate Memorial	Michelle Cote	2,500	0
Lit., Sci., and Nature	Crocker Pond	1,200	1200
Take Jazz	Anna Dickerson	600	0
Open Door	Lynn Protasowicki	300	300
Tales of Noe & Zen	Motoko Dworkin	650	650
Building a Theater	Richard Foley	29,000	0
Fitchburg Art Museum	Rebecca Wright	300	300
Little Spark Theater	Caroline Miller	525	525
Great Decisions	Nicholas Langhart	817	775
My Name is	Barbara Friedman	500	0
Acoustic Memories	Sean Fullerton	350	350
GALA Exhibit	Deborah Giordano	200	0
1970s Through Music	Francis Hart	400	400
Johnny Appleseed	Travis Condon	1,000	0
Music is Love	Dawn Kelley	275	0
Music	Dan Kirouac	275	275
I AM	Scott Mahoney	600	0
Hip Hop Chair	Rondae Drafts	500	500
I am Autistic	Rondae Drafts	580	580
Oakmont Alumni Exhibit	Gregory Barry	1,500	500
Author Visit	Jennifer Moran	2,000	2000
Music at Red Apple Farm	Sarah McLennan	1,000	0

Musical Journey	Thomas Rull	425	425
Afternoon of Brass	Patrick Smith	500	0
Spanish Class	Emily West	600	965
Farmer's Market	Sue Nickerson	1,500	1500
Virtual Classroom	Amberly DiBenedetto	1,750	1750
Winchendon Music Festival	Andrew Arceci	2,500	0
Winchendon Renaissance Fair	Tiffany Newton	1,500	0
Little Mermen	Tiffany Newton	500	0
WCP Free Fun Days	Tiffany Newton	360	0
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If any of the applicants refile with the missing items, the committee will meet on November 18, 2023.

## The next scheduled meeting will be January 11, 2024 at 10:00.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:37 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Gendron Secretary