WCC 7 November 2018 Minutes

WCC (Wayland Cultural Council) Meeting Wednesday 7 November 2018, Wayland Town Building

Present: Kara Brewton, Barbara Hoffman, Barbara Holtz, Brenda Ross, Jon Saxton, Rachel Sideman-Kurtz

Absent: Adam Gutbezahl, Kathy Trogolo

Procedure / Structure

Kara Brewton called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

She had announced to us that she would be moving to Newton on Friday 9 November 2018. In view of her residential change, she resigned as WCC Chair, leading our Council to discuss and to vote re: next steps.

WCC members unanimously proposed (and elected) as co-Chairs Rachel Sideman-Kurtz and Jon Saxton. Additionally, we confirmed that Adam Gutbezahl would continue as Recording Secretary, Barbara Holtz would continue as Corresponding Secretary, and Jon Saxton would serve as Treasurer in addition to his co-Chairmanship. The aforenamed were approved.

Ms. Brewton introduced the name of Renee Case, a student at Wayland High School, who is interested in participating in our WCC. Renee will first need to be interviewed and appointed by the Selectmen. We anticipate meeting her at an upcoming WCC meeting.

Vote re: GY2019 Grant Awards

This year, our WCC received 23 applications for grant funding. [NOTE: due to MCC's clerical error, there was a duplicate application (for "Color in Sound") causing an initial count of 24 applications. We confirmed via MCC that an error had indeed occurred.]

We voted to disapprove the following ten requests for granted projects (i.e. zero funding for this upcoming grant year):

Color in Sound "Creative Equals"
Concord Women's Chorus "Searching Love"

Francis Hart "Cultural / Historical Perspective of the Beatles' Music"

MUSICdance.edu "Hip-Hop Around the World"
Opera del West "A Night of Women Composers"

Periwinkle Art "Periwinkle Project"

Sudbury Savoyards "The Yeoman of the Guard"
The Concord Orchestra "Celebrating the Horn)
Wellesley Symphony 2018/2019 Concert Series

Robert Zammarchi "Elijah T. Grasshopper and his Friends"

We voted approval of 13 grant applications for a total of \$6,271. This total was about \$1000 higher than last year because Co-Chair and Treasurer, Mr. Saxton, recommended that an additional \$1,000 (that the WCC had been holding in locally raised funds) be made available in this Grant cycle. This recommendation was adopted, unanimously. The grants approved are as follows:

| Congregation Or Atid, Wayland, venue for: | "Unveiled" (by Rohina Malik) | \$1,000 |
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| Delvena Theatre Company (at Wayland COA): | "Isabella!" | 565 |
| Scott Jameson (at Wayland Free Public Library): | "A Universe of Stories" | 550 |
| John Root (at the Wayland COA): | "Songbirds of the Northeast" | 550 |
| Joseph Ingoldsby, horticulturalist | "Heard Farm Heirloom Orchards" | 500 |
| MA Educational Theater Guild | Drama festival at Wayland High School | 500 |
| Vokes Theater, Wayland (Vokes Players) | Silent Sky | 500 |
| Wayland Chinese American Assn. | Lunar New Year Celebration | 456 |
| Wayland Fee Public Library | Wayland Reads (Live from Cairo) | 500 |
| DeCordova Museum / Sculpture Garden | EBT \$1 Admission (financially needy) | 300 |
| Wayland High School (robotics club competition) | FRC 5735 "Control Freaks"* | 300 |
| Musicians of the Old Post Road | Concert: Mozart's Viennese Circle | 300 |
| Discovery Museum, Acton | Free Friday Night Fun | 250 |
| TOTAL:Funds Awarded | | \$6,271 |

*Official title is FRC 5735 "Control Freaks" Wayland High School Robotics Club

Additional Discussion:

Ms. Sideman-Kurtz led a discussion re: the merits of our WCC once again hosting a reception for current grantees, as we did, last year. Proposed timing: late February or early March. We would like to invite various state and town officials in addition to Selectmen and grant awardees. Ms. Sideman-Kurtz will work with the Selectmen's office to confirm a date, after which she will send invitations and monitor responses.

Adhering to the format of last year's grantee reception, we would like the event to begin at 6 pm and be held in the Town Building's WCOA large-room.

Our WCC plans to convene again on 28 November, to discuss committee-related topics. In addition, we plan to meet on January 30 to continue discussing the format and logistics re: our Reception.. There is a strong possibility that our Committee could convene again, some weeks after the Reception, in order to review prior topics as well as to discuss future plans and strategies.

The motion to adjourn at 8:45 pm was seconded/approved by all.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Holtz

Corresponding Secretary (acting as Recording Secretary on this occasion)