

Mendon Cultural Council
August 20, 2014
MINUTES

Present:

- ✓ Marcy Singer: Chair
- ✓ Kim Park: Treasurer
- ✓ Joyce Firth: Secretary
- Pam Arons
- ✓ Cynthia Donatelli
- ✓ Marty Fletcher
- ✓ Kathleen Murphy
- Monika Schmidt

- I. The meeting was called to order at 7:02P.M.
- II. A motion was made and seconded to accept the July minutes.
- III. Welcome to guest, Debbie Perro, who is considering joining the Cultural Council.
- IV. Pam Arons has resigned as Council Treasurer due to other conflicting commitments.
 - A. Kim Park was nominated and unanimously voted in as Council Treasurer.
- V. The Council voted unanimously to accept the funding modification request made in writing from Yankee Notions regarding a performance they were unable to keep.
 - A. The modification requested that a substitute group of performers be approved to receive the grant funding previously awarded to Yankee Notions.
- VI. The Bellingham Cultural Council was contacted regarding a Grant writing workshop. They will vote on holding that workshop at their next meeting.
- VII. Members discussed addressing the schools to encourage teachers to apply for MCC grant funding.
 - A. After contacting one local school, there seems to be some interest in allowing LCC members to address the staff at the teacher in-service at the beginning of the school year, and/or allowing information to be sent to the Principal/Superintendent to distribute to the faculty and appropriate support staff.
 - B. Council member(s) will put together a reader-friendly packet of applicant information including application/reimbursement forms.

VIII. Council members reviewed the new FAQs which will appear on the LCC section of the Town Website.

IX. Types of publicity were discussed.

- A. It was decided that these should appear on our website as a reference for grant recipients.
- B. Sandwich boards, banners and other forms of publicity for Cultural Council events and deadlines were also discussed and will require further investigation.
- C. Business cards and an additional banner will be designed and ordered for the Council.

X. The LCC will sponsor a booth at the Mendon Country Fair on 10/11/14.

- A. The location for the event is yet to be announced.
- B. It will be run much like last year with emails out to the membership for assistance.

XI. New Business

- A. Funding from the Massachusetts Cultural Council has increased.
- B. The Town of Mendon's most recent appropriation is \$4,300.00.

VII. **NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, September 17, at 7:00PM**

VIII. The meeting was adjourned 8:34 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Joyce L. Firth, Secretary