

Wareham Cultural Council

June 21, 2021

The Wareham Cultural Council meeting was called to order at 4:30.

Present were Co-chairs Wendy Brogioli and Jamie Wiksten, members Christy LaGue, Leslie Edwards-Davis, Jackson Gillman and Kristin Lyons. Absent was member Sandra Hammond.

The secretary's report from April 12, 2021 was presented for approval. It was approved 6-0-0

OLD BUSINESS

Co-Chair Brogioli reported an update on the 2020 and 2021 Grants.

1) Grantees are proceeding with presentations, but thus far no paper work has been submitted. Stephen Lewis' "Art for a Cause" will be presented July 2-30 at Wareham Free library. John Root asked to postpone "Butterflies, Bees and Other Beneficials" until September 20, 2021. Approved 6-0-0

2) Cat Jones from Onset Bay Association reports there will be no illumination night in Onset due to short staffing with the Fire Department. The chalk festival, kite festival and concerts are still scheduled for summer 2021.

3) The Boys & Girls Club in Wareham/Onset has closed. The Club was awarded two grants from the 2020 cycle, Robots for \$600 and Exploring the Outdoors for \$200. The WCC is exploring ways to reallocate the money to the Onset Kidz Block.

4) South Coast Children's Chorus has completed their choral video but has not requested funding. Questions arose regarding Wareham's benefit.

NEW BUSINESS

1) Social Media/Promoting MCC events.

An Instagram account has been established by member Leslie Edwards-Davis. The WCC will require future grant recipients to submit pictures and information related to the grant to member Edwards-Davis for the Instagram account.

Co-Chair Wiksten suggested a check list of each grantees fulfillment requirements be added to the reward letter. It was approved 6-0-0

Co-Chair Brogioli read a proposed press release about 2021 grant recipients. Its release was approved 6-0-0. Another press release for August will be written describing the next round of grants.

2) Membership.

Discussion was held regarding the best way to introduce potential members to the workings of the WCC. It was decided to encourage them to attend an August meeting first to gain an understanding of the Council's mission.

3) The town survey is due this year. The WCC will utilize online services, e.g., Survey Monkey, Wareham town website and release the survey to news organizations by August 13.

Next meeting August 2, 2021

Meeting Adjourned 5:45

Respectfully Submitted,



Christy LaGue, Secretary

