

## Hudson Cultural Council Minutes

**Meeting Date:** November 6, 2018

**Location:** Hudson Senior Center  
Great Room, 29 Church Street

**Members Present:** Dorothy Bagley, Cathleen Carlino, Jennifer Ferrari, Jennifer Finn, Jane Gordon, Ellen King, Ellen Kisslinger, Patricia Luoto, Doris Monteiro, Helen Mutti, Bob Olkin, Stephanie Plourde-Simard, Sarah Worrest

**Members Absent:** Elaine Recklet

**Others Present:** Anthony Monteiro, grant applicant

The meeting was called to order at 7:15 by Cathleen Carlino, Co-Chair.

After members introduced themselves, the minutes of the September 11, 2018 meeting were unanimously approved.

### Old Business:

The HCC town-wide January 2019 survey was presented in its final form and was unanimously approved by the Council to be sent out to all Hudson households with the annual Town census. Cathi Carlino will follow up with Joan Wordell, Town Clerk, regarding the mailing of the survey. An amount of \$370 has been set aside by the HCC for the cost of the paper survey. Massachusetts Cultural Council regulations now require that LCCs do an annual survey. There was some discussion regarding using a computerized format such as "Survey Monkey" at a future date.

The election of officers for FY2019 was once again tabled and will be placed on the November 27, 2018 agenda. Doris Monteiro is willing to continue as Secretary. The Council needs members to serve as Chair or Co-Chairs and as Treasurer.

### New Business:

It was noted that the Hudson Cultural Council receives \$3,500 annually from the Town of Hudson via a line item in the Division of Recreation Budget. The MCC allocated \$7,400 for FY19.

With a total of \$11,250 to be awarded for the 2019FY, the Council proceeded to vote on the grant proposals. There were twenty-two grant application requests totaling \$18,550 to be considered. Cathi Carlino and Jennifer Finn abstained from voting on Grant #27147 to avoid a conflict of interest due to their affiliation with Hudson High School theater productions. Each grant was reviewed based on the Council's Funding Priorities and Local Guidelines. After discussion on each grant, motions were made and Council members voted to either fund the grant or deny funds.

The Council voted to provide funds for twelve grants and to deny funds to six grants that did not meet local guidelines. Grants #26689 and #26939 did not have valid sponsor letters. Grants #22793, #26378, #27898, and #28554 did not provide enough public benefit for our community compared to other proposals received. All votes taken were unanimous with two abstentions on Grant #27147.

The meeting adjourned at 9:40.

The next scheduled meeting of the Hudson Cultural Council:

November 27 – Grant Reconsideration Meeting and Election of Officers – Town Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Meeting Room

Respectfully submitted,  
Doris Monteiro, Secretary

