

Approved September 11, 2018

Hudson Cultural Council Minutes

Meeting Date: August 27, 2018

Location: Town Hall
3rd Floor Meeting Room

Members Present: Cathleen Carlino, Jennifer Ferrari, Jennifer Finn, Ellen King, Ellen Kisslinger, Doris Monteiro

Members Absent: Dorothy Bagley, Helen Mutti, Elaine Recklet, Sarah Worrest

The meeting was called to order at 7:43 by Cathleen Carlino, Co-Chair.

Members introduced themselves and welcomed the council's newest member Ellen King.

The minutes of the April 5, 2018 meeting were unanimously approved.

Old Business:

It was reported that the Hudson Cultural Council's presence at the May 5th *Hudson ArtsFest* was worthwhile. Members handed out information about HCC to a number of people who stopped by the council's table. It was suggested at tonight's meeting that if the council were to participate in next year's event that postcards announcing a "Meet and Greet" to be held two weeks after the *ArtsFest* be handed out to people interested in knowing more about the council's function.

It was noted that articles seeking new council members should continue to be placed in area newspapers. A question came up regarding whether there was an age requirement for membership on the council. Jennifer Ferrari will contact Mina Kim at the Massachusetts Cultural Council for clarification. Other ideas to promote interest in council membership were to place the HCC tri-fold originally handed out at *ArtsFest* in various businesses in town such as *Café 641* and *Serendipity* and that a flyer should be given out at this year's *Pumpkinfest*. It was also suggested that a paragraph describing the council's function be included in the upcoming community survey with a statement encouraging people in Hudson to join the cultural council.

The Treasurer reported that there have been a number of reimbursement forms submitted to the council and estimates that approximately eighty percent of the awarded grants have requested payment.

New Business:

The council approved the press release announcing the FY2019 grant cycle with the suggestion that the Hudson Area Arts Alliance be changed to the River's Edge Arts Alliance.

Items that were tabled to a future council meeting are the membership re-appointment letters as well as the development of the January 2019 town-wide HCC survey. It was reported that MCC has sample surveys on their website for local councils to use for their community input.

The meeting adjourned at 8:37.

The next scheduled meeting of the Hudson Cultural Council is September 11, 2018 at 7:15 PM in the 3rd Floor Meeting Room of the Hudson Town Hall for the purpose of creating a community input survey, developing a HCC flyer for distribution at *Pumpkinfest* and electing Hudson Cultural Council officers for FY2019.

Additional Scheduled Meetings: November 6 - Grant Voting Meeting
November 27 - Grant Reconsideration Meeting

Respectfully submitted,
Doris Monteiro, Secretary

