

Approved ABCC Minutes 2012/06/11

Acton Town Hall, Room 126, Meeting opened 8:42pm

Present: Barbara Estabrook, Greg Hutchins, Sunanda Sahay, Linda Mayer, Nancy Kumaraswami, Pascale Belin-White

Absent: Marion Powers, Tse-Ming Wang, Suman Adishesu

Public: Janet Adachi, Kristie Rampton, Todd Davis

Greg stated the FY 11 Grants are now totally reimbursed. FY 12 Grants Tracking and Treasurer's Reports were reviewed.

Madeleine Lord has submitted an invoice for \$1500 for the recycled sculpture that will be installed at the Sargent Memorial Library.

Greg moved that we adopt the minutes of 2012/05/07. Pascale seconded. Minutes were adopted unanimously to approve the motion.

Linda and Sunanda have been sworn in and are now ABCC members. Kristie had her interview this evening. Todd has followed up with Liz Markiewicz to determine the next step he needs to take for membership to the ABCC. Barbara will also follow up on Todd's application.

Film Shorts Series went well. 'Sketch' director and 2 producers attended. The director traveled in from the Cape. His presence greatly added to the evening. Need to consider student's schedule while arranging next year's film festival so it can be scheduled before students return home for summer break. Nancy moved to give 'Sketch' director \$50 for his travel and effort to come such a distance and add to the film experience. Linda seconded. Vote was unanimous to approve the motion. Talked about trying for better promotion of our events. Acton light board, Acton TV were 2 ideas. Todd suggested a children's film series next year. 'Bliss' perhaps to be part of next years program since it was not viewed this year due to complications.

Pascale has not heard from the DPW about the sculpture installation at Sargent Memorial Library. She will reach out to the DPW. Location for the sculpture has been marked on the library property. Considering a celebration of the installation in September.

Thinking about donation of an outside sculpture to Acton by using Acton funds. Need to determine the budget, if Acton would accept and solicit pieces. Linda and Barbara to explore the project this summer.

Blue Grass Festival requesting additional funds. FY '11 and '12 \$500 received each year. From Acton funds received \$999 last year. Nancy moved that \$750 be allowed for the Blue Grass Festival. Greg seconded. Vote was unanimous to approve the motion.

Grant cycle and guidelines for FY'13. Want to avoid applicants becoming dependent and encourage new applicants. Barbara moved to remove '3 consecutive years" Pascale seconded. 5 yes to approve the motion. 1 opposed.

Greg moved that 2 amendments to our local grant guidelines be made to :1) add under "limitations" that projects that "are religious in nature" cannot be funded, and 2) under the section for "Disapproved applications", it should be added in the second sentence that disapproved applicants may request reconsideration by writing to the "MCC and the" would be added. Linda seconded. The vote was unanimous and the motion was approved. Changes to be reflected by 8-1-12 on our Website and to MCC.

Marion and Ming possible Grant Coordinators. Pascale will assist.

To be decided later if a work shop will be offered for Grant Applications.

Greg, treasurer.

Nancy, secretary.

Marion to be asked if she will continue in Publicity.

Barbara is asking for a co-chair.

Monday meetings from September through June. Second Monday of the month. Barbara will reserve the rooms for the meetings.

Meeting adjourned 10:06pm

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