

Acton-Boxborough Cultural Council
Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: Wednesday, November 30, 2016
Place: Sargent Memorial Library, Boxborough, MA
Time: 6:30 - 7:45 PM

Meeting brought to order at 6:35, in attendance Beth Davis, Todd Davis and Nancy Evans. Greg Hutchins arrived at 6:47

Public Comments. There was no public at the meeting.

Housekeeping. Discussion about day of meetings, Todd has a conflict on Wednesday. Group discussed options, but no day of the week seemed to work. Will continue discussion of optimum day for meetings.

Review Minutes of 2016 meetings. Minutes not available, will be reviewed at the next meeting.

Marketing of Film Series. Discussion about the banner, whether it should be re-sized or used exclusively in Boxborough, where it is properly sized. If ABCC can use the Light Board in Acton, that recommended a Tab on the web page for the Short Night submission application. Can also do an Event notice by the Facebook page. Also need to organize the print publications so they are submitted on a timely basis to Beacon, Action Unlimited and the COA newsletters for Acton and Boxborough. Can also reach out to Acton TV, to post the films, or maybe do a feature interview.

Booking Town Hall for April 28, May 5, May 12 and May 19, 2017. Greg Hutchins will contact Acton Town Hall to book Room 204, the Faulkner Room.

Movies to show 2017. No theme has emerged, though a Mexican directed film would suit May 5 - perhaps "Pan's Labyrinth" by Del Toro. Polish director Andrzej Wajda passed away this year, will check out his work for our series. Reiterated ground rules for selection: IMDb rating 7+, under 2 hours, recent, or maybe a classic, award-winning, independent, and from different parts of the world (Southern Hemisphere, East Asia, China?). Also, would we want to see it again? Subtitles should be legible.

Todd Davis produced a list of favorites, which the group will divvy up for viewing, also taking in titles from Beth and Greg. Nancy reported she had seen Mustang, a Turkish film, but would not want to watch it again.

Short Night plans. Todd will gather the components of the Short Night, applications, emails and publicity to get submissions for the April 28 Short Night. Need coordination with the webmaster and Todd, to post the application and notices, will follow through.

Other Film Series Considerations. Need a budget, to pay for promotional printing, order patches for the banner to change dates, and purchase the DVDs to show.

Next Meeting time frame. Next meeting will be January 4, 2017 from 6:30-7:45 at the Sargent Memorial Library

Meeting adjourned at 7:45.