

ACC Meeting Minutes

Auburn Cultural Council

September 23, 2021

Zoom Meeting

Meeting called to order at 6:35 PM

Notes by: Diane Spanos

Members Present: Amie Tailor, Andrea Lettic, Marilyn Kulesa, Melanie Marcou, Diane Spanos

Members Absent: Mary DeCoursey

**Secretary's Report:** The minutes from the June 23, 2021 meeting were read and accepted.

**New Business:**

**Grant Timeline:** Grant cycle opened on September 1<sup>st</sup>, applications were due on October 15, 2021 and extended to November 1, 2021.

- Six applications have been received for the 2022 Grant Cycle.
- Amie has fielded many questions through our [auburnculturalcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:auburnculturalcouncil@gmail.com) site.
- Eleven events from the 2020 and 2021 Grant Cycle were reimbursed.

**Advertising and communicating the grant cycle for 2022**

- Andrea will complete and publish a summary of Auburn Cultural Council information for new 2022 Grant Cycle.
- Andrea will also include the Webinar on the Smart Simple Grant Application process put out by the Massachusetts Cultural Council.
- Included in the publication will be the amount of grant money that Auburn Cultural Council has been allotted by the state this year, which is \$9500.00.
- All information will be sent through the following:  
Auburn Town website – Auburn Guide , Auburn MA Daily, Auburn News, Auburn Senior Center, Auburn Superintendent of Schools, Surrounding town print publications, Auburn Town Hall, Pakachoag Church, Auburn Public Library, PTO email, Telegram, Go Local Worcester, Worcester County B.B, Artist Networking Group, Auburn Facebook group, Auburn MOMs Facebook group.
  - Andrea will also post information on local Art Shows and other cultural events including the Massasoit Art Guild Show being held in Spencer Town Hall on October 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Grant Review and Voting Meetings:**

- We hope to meet together at the APL to review all grants and select 2022 recipients. Amie will contact Jean Collins to book a room. Another option might be the Auburn Police Station.
- Date: Thursday, October 28, 2021 from 5:30-7:30 PM.
- Amie will also connect with Ricardo at the Massachusetts Cultural Council for help getting members onto the new state website.

Meeting Adjourned: 6:57 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Diane F. Spanos