

LONGMEADOW CULTURAL COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES OF JANUARY 10, 2022

CALL TO ORDER: Peg Landon, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:38 p.m. and read the meeting regulations from Governor Baker due to the covid virus. We are meeting remotely by telephone or video via Zoom. Peg did a roll call of the LCC and the following were in attendance: Peg Landon, Chair, Caitlin Cronin, Rowland Hawthorne, Rob Humberston, Thea Katsounakis, Katherine McGonigle, Evelyn Pratt, Andrea Schultz and Peter Thomsen.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE SECRETARY'S REPORT: A motion was made to accept the Secretary's Report as of December 13, 2021 and was approved and accepted as written. Report approved by LCC listed above. (Thea abstained).

TREASURER'S REPORT: There was no report this evening.

DISCUSSION AND VOTE ON EXTENDING A 2020 GRANT FROM AIMEE GELINAS: Aimee requested an extension to June of 2022 to utilize grant funds that were originally to be utilized in tandem with the residency for a finale performance at Williams Middle School. Aimee is asking if funding may be used for a tutorial music video. A motion was made to grant Amy the modification and to extend the grant to June 2022, seconded and approved. Peg Landon did a roll call of the vote, and the following approved: Peg Landon, Caitlin Cronin, Rowland Hawthorne, Rob Humberston, Thea Katsounakis, Katherine McGonigle, Evelyn Pratt, Andrea Schultz and Peter Thomsen.

VOTE ON GRANTS WITH PENDING DENIALS: A motion was made to vote on grants with pending denials seconded and passed on the following pending denials: Authors and Artists Festival, The Catnip Junkies Live! From the Longmeadow Town Green, Hilltown Families Suggests, Cycle of Memory, Hip Hop Dance Chair Exercise for Seniors, Gift of the Same Sun (Rob Humberston and Peter Thomsen abstained on the vote for Gift of the Same Sun), To Life Celebration in Story, Song and Music, Storrs Library Historical Performances Series (Peg Landon, Rob Humberston and Katie McGonigle did not participate on the vote for the Storrs Library Historical Performances Series), Sevenars 54th Anniversary Season, Longmeadow Do Your Art!, World Music Concert on the Town Green w/Valley Rhythm Keepers and member of Gaia Roots, Virtual Mentorship Program and Webinar Series, Duo Pianists, Composers & Educators Whipple & Morales in Concert, New England Swing Orchestra Concert/Dance. Peg did a roll call of the vote and the following approved Peg Landon (Peg did not participate in the vote for Storrs Library Historical Performance), Caitlin Cronin, Rowland Hawthorne, Rob Humberston (Rob abstained on the vote for Gift Of the Same Sun and did not participate in the vote for Storrs Library Historical Performance), Thea Katsounakis, Katherine McGonigle (Kate did not participate in the vote for Storrs Library Historical Performance) Evelyn Pratt, Andrea Schultz and Peter Thomsen (Peter abstained on vote for Gift of the Same Sun).

FINAL REVIEW AND VOTE ON GRANTS WITH PENDING APPROVALS: After final review of the 19 applications pending approvals, a motion was made to vote and approve funding totaling \$10,979 seconded and passed on the following pending approval applications:

\$325.00 The Places You'll Go A Summer Reading Performance; \$250.00 Overlooked Municipal Records; \$350 Impromptu Magic for Camping; \$600 Dyeing To Wear It: Creating Community Through Color; \$400 Magical Potter's Wheel; \$500 The Happier Family Comedy Show; \$750 Longmeadow Over 60 Music and Lecture Series; \$1,050 Free Concert by Jeff Gavioli and His Bad News Jazz and Blues Orchestra Featuring Cindy Reed; \$400 Mr. Vinny the Bubble Guy; \$579 Jean-Francois Millet's Dandelions: How to Paster Paint; \$300 Maker Space Build-Along Stick-eometry; \$450 Family Letters of Abby Kelley and Stephen Foster; \$300 Introducing Cultural Diversity Through Music-Songs of Diversity; \$585 Connecticut Science Center-Science in Motion Traveling Programs at Storrs Library (Peg Landon, Rob Humberston and Katherine McGonigle did not participate in vote); \$820 Christopher Houlihan=Concert Organist; \$720 Musical Moments at St. Mary's; \$1,200 Mindfulness Matters; \$1,000 Writer In Residence; (Katherine McGonigle abstained); \$400 Songs and Stories: The Highwaymen. Peg did a roll call of the vote and the following voted: Peg Landon, Caitlin Cronin, Rowland Hawthorne, Rob Humberston, Thea Katsounakis, Katherine McGonigle, Evelyn Pratt, Andrea Schultz and Peter Thomsen. As noted above, Peg, Rob and Katie did not participate in vote For Connecticut Science Center-Science in Motion Traveling Programs at Storrs Library and Katie abstained from voting Writer in Residence.

SCHEDULE A SPRING MEETING: Peg announced that she would like to plan for a spring meeting and will follow up with a date.

ADJOURNED: The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Thea Elizabeth Katsounakis, Secretary
Longmeadow Cultural Council