

Holliston Cultural Council Minutes

Date: September 16, 2020

Time: 7:04

Present: Emmanuel Franjul (chair), Kent Kissinger, Steve Durning, Laurie Edwards, Malini Rao; Alecia Thomas; Sophia Lindsay (student rep); Namitha Alluri (student rep) (all via Zoom);

Manny called the Meeting to order with a roll call. Manny read the rules and procedures for the Zoom recording.

We reviewed and approved the minutes from the July 15, 2020 meeting.

Old Business:

Most 2020 events have been postponed; Jumpin' Juba will be an outdoor event at Senior Center 9/24

"Stephano: The True Story of Shakespeare's Shipwreck" ran 9/11/2020 and drew 800 viewers on YouTube and guessing about 150 people on HCAT; it will be shown on HCAT 4 more timeless in coming week; Kent raised motion to change venue for funding Stephano and we approved it.

Manny reached out to ATAC but the exhibit has been cancelled and they will be modifying the event; Manny will follow up.

New Business:

The current application process has been extended to open 10/1 and the application deadline is 11/16; we will need to advertise the process/deadlines via Internet/social media groups; Holliston Reporter; Sophia and Namitha will help our social media efforts

Steve discussed the status of the writing contest and engaging our high school reps and larger student body in grants and events; Kent will check in about age requirements

Namitha and Sophia talked about collaboration and peer engagement in arts/competitions, open mic events; murals/public art; they will meet with Steve and Manny prior to our next meeting to discuss these ideas in more detail.

Alecia mentioned that Diverse Holliston and the PTO's MindShare are working on a series of events centered on diversity and racial justice starting in winter 2021; Alecia will follow up with group and remind them of the open application process

The meeting adjourned at 8:04

Our next meeting will be October 21, 2020.