



## **Holliston Cultural Council Minutes**

**Date:** June 16, 2021

**Time:** 7:05

Present: Steve Durning, Laurie Edwards, Emmanuel Franjul (chair), Pooja Gupta, Kent Kissinger, Malini Rao

Absent: Alecia Thomas, Sophia Lindsay (student rep), Namitha Alluri (student rep)

We reviewed and approved the minutes from the April 28, 2021 meeting

### **Old Business:**

Pooja sent in her letter and is waiting to hear back

Update on FY21 allocations: One Book, One Holliston, Elijah T. Grasshopper, and Beth Torah RIDE have signed off

Update on finance + additional grant options with locally raised revenues: we currently have \$4303 equivalent to locally raised funds

Minnie Gupta came to speak about the annual two-hour Diwali event (dancing, culture, food, decorations) that will happen in November. Tickets are \$20, \$25, and \$30 and costs go to food, decorations, hall rental, and sound system. The goal in asking for funds is also to help with marketing and broadening the audience. Boston has confirmed we can allocate locally raised funds for this event provided we keep documentation and it meets criteria for cultural benefit (food aside). Malini and Pooja abstained from voting. We voted to fund the event from locally raised funds and then voted to fund \$750 to be used for rental space.

Update on student projects: Namitha is still planning the open mic for August; Sophia sent sketches for the public art/mural on the side of the Superette building. Students will decide on the final design and decide if they are going to include a small logo from Bird and Bear Collective. Laurie will contact the Holliston Reporter to try and promote these events.

It is Kent's last meeting.

**New Business:** N/A

The meeting adjourned at 8:06. Our next meeting is scheduled for August 25, 2021.