

Holliston Cultural Council Minutes

Date: November 17, 2021

Time: 7: 04

Present: Steve Durning, Laurie Edwards, Manny Franjul (chair), Alecia Thomas, Malini Rao, Emma Wood (student rep)

Absent: Pooja Gupta, Sophia Lindsay (student rep)

Manny read the official language and protocol on Zoom meetings.

We reviewed and approved the minutes from the October 20, 2021 meeting.

Our new student rep, Emma Wood, introduced herself.

Old Business:

- Update on mural project: Manny talked to Richard Morse and he is excited/supportive and the commission feels similarly. Next step--come up with a theme/preliminary concept so Richard can do a more comprehensive presentation. Ideally this will be done in the spring/above 50 degrees. Sophia and Emma should connect and discuss design, etc.
- Update on FY 2021 grant allocations: no new updates.
- Review FY 2022 financials: Grant process has concluded; a little over \$17K in total requests and our cash balance is a little over \$10K and \$5500 in funds to move over for past projects. We have \$7400 in allocation funds this year, with the additional funds we have about \$12K to distribute.
- Review FY2022 grant proposals: We discussed initial projects we felt *might* not meet various criteria/council mission:
 - Holliston High Advisory; Intro to Journaling (*we should vote on these first at next meeting)
 - Motions Approved to Deny: Whipple/Morales; Veteran's Flag workshop;
 Cycle of Memory/Alzheimer's documentary; Adventures in Lifelong Learning;
 Afternoon of Brass/Northbridge;
 - o Motion approved to fund all other events

o Funding priorities/allocation will happen at our next meeting. Manny will follow up with Kent for template letters.

New Business:

• Manny's transition off the council--the January meeting will be his last meeting on the council and as chair. Motion approved to have Steve Durning serve as Chair.

The meeting adjourned at 8:20. Our next meeting is scheduled for December 15, 2021 at 7pm.