

WCC Minutes

Date of Meeting November 29th, 2023

Time of meeting: 4:30 PM

Place of meeting: Town Hall Room 24

Call to order at 4:36 PM

Roll Call:

Members present:

Andrea Ericson- Social Media Manager

Marcus Gomes- Chair

Jackson Gillman

Amariet Karahalais- Treasurer

Wendy St Julien- Secretary

Wendy Brogioli (non-voting member)

Members absent: none

Secretary's report:

Wendy St Julien reviewed the draft of the minutes from November 1st

Amariet Karahalais motioned to approve the minutes as written

Marcus Gomes seconded

Vote: 5-0-0 Unanimous

Treasurer's report:

Amariet Karahalais reviewed the grant tracking spreadsheet

17 of 22 grants have been completed

Of the 5 incomplete grants:

2 events have not occurred, but will be completed by the deadline

2 events have been completed but payments are in progress

1 event is complete but grantee has not submitted documents

The amount of Grant funds available for 2024 is \$13,105

New Business:

Grant Voting to commence for the 2024 year

Clarification on guidelines for voting:

Members have reviewed the grants and assigned a 3-2 or 1, (3 being most favorable)

Members who are involved in a project, will exit the room when the grant is discussed and voted upon. In their absence, the program will have one less voter present, therefore the score of the grant only has a potential to achieve a high score of "12". The council will consider the score of

"12" to be the highest achievable score- similar to a "15" in the case when 5 members have voted.

FY24 Grant Voting:

1- Doodie Plus Workshops

Discussed and recommended

Motion to Grant- Vote: 5-0-0

2- Community Engagement Events

Discussed and recommended

Motion to Grant- Vote: 5-0-0

3- Carving out your Story

Discussed and recommended

Motion to Grant- Vote: 5-0-0

4- Grow Kindness (Marcus Gomes exited room and did not participate in discussion or voting)

Discussed and denied

Motion to Deny- Vote: 4-0-1

5- Summer Reading Program

Discussed and recommended

Motion to Grant- Vote: 5-0-0

6- Adult Programs

Discussed and recommended

Motion to Grant- Vote: 5-0-0

7- Celebrate the Seasons in Song and Stories (Jackson Gillman exited room and did not participate in discussion or voting)

Discussed and recommended

Motion to Grant- Vote: 4-0-1

8- Jumpin' Juba Senior Concert

Discussed and recommended

Motion to Grant- Vote: 5-0-0

9- Gazoots! Reading Expressively with Children

Discussed and denied

Motion to Deny- Vote: 5-0-0

10- The Power of Perspective OUCH! OOPS! OH NO!

Discussed and denied
Motion to Deny- Vote: 5-0-0

11- I AM

Discussed and denied
Motion to Deny- Vote: 5-0-0

12- Make Me Brand New Pop up Event

Discussed and denied
Motion to Deny- Vote: 5-0-0

13- Hip Hop Chair Dance for Seniors

Discussed and recommended
Motion to Grant- Vote: 5-0-0

14- New Bedford Festival Theatre Summer Academy 2024

Discussed and denied
Motion to Deny- Vote: 5-0-0

15- Passport to History 2024

Discussed and recommended
Motion to Grant- Vote: 5-0-0

16- Argentine Tango and Culture

Discussed and denied
Motion to Deny- Vote: 5-0-0

17- Chalk-Full-O-Fun Festival

Discussed and recommended
Motion to Grant- Vote: 5-0-0

18- Gothic Ghost Tales by Candlelight

Discussed and recommended
Motion to Grant- Vote: 5-0-0

19- Jamming in the Park(ing) Lot

Discussed and denied
Motion to Deny- Vote: 5-0-0

20- Practice Best Practice Workshop

Discussed and denied
Motion to Deny- Vote: 5-0-0

21- Songs and Stories of the American Folk Revival for Seniors

Discussed and denied
Motion to Deny- Vote: 5-0-0

22- Annual Winter Concert 2024: The Glory of Rutter, Pinkham, and Mendelssohn

Discussed and denied
Motion to Deny- Vote: 5-0-0

23- Afternoon of Brass #3

Discussed and denied
Motion to Deny- Vote: 5-0-0

24- Thump and Soul in the Park

Discussed and denied
Motion to Deny- Vote: 5-0-0

25- Music at Soule

Discussed and denied
Motion to Deny- Vote: 5-0-0

26- Onset as a Main Character; An Onset Walkabout with the Dwyer Murphy The Stolen Coast

Discussed and recommended
Motion to Grant- Vote: 5-0-0

27- Songs of Sea and Light

Discussed and denied
Motion to Deny- Vote: 5-0-0

28- The Horseshoe Crab:Against All Odds

Discussed and denied
Motion to Deny- Vote: 5-0-0

29- Grand Opening for Phase Two/ Swifts Beach Park

Discussed and recommended
Motion to Grant- Vote: 5-0-0

30-Terrapin Head Start for the Classroom

Discussed and recommended
Motion to Grant- Vote: 5-0-0

31- Magic for Seniors

Discussed and recommended
Motion to Grant- Vote: 5-0-0

32- Complimentary Senior Tickets

Discussed and denied

Motion to Deny- Vote: 5-0-0

33- New England Birds of Prey

Discussed and recommended

Motion to Grant- Vote: 5-0-0

34- Ukulele for Seniors

Discussed and denied

Motion to Deny- Vote: 5-0-0

35- Junior Naturalist Programming

Discussed and recommended

Motion to Grant- Vote: 5-0-0

36- Wareham Veterans Day Parade

Discussed and denied

Motion to Deny- Vote: 5-0-0

37- Live Music Making History Live

Discussed and denied

Motion to Deny- Vote: 5-0-0

38- Puppets, Paul & Mary Show

Discussed and denied

Motion to Deny- Vote: 5-0-0

39- Matt York- Songs & Stories: Willie Nelson

Discussed and denied

Motion to Deny- Vote: 5-0-0

At the conclusion of discussion and voting, the council voted to fund 17 grants for a total of \$13,105.

Marcus Gomes will send denial letters to the remaining 22 grant applicants. Applicants who were denied will be allowed two weeks to appeal before Marcus Gomes sends the acceptance letters to the appropriate applicants.

Adjournment

Marcus Gomes made a motion that the Meeting Adjourn at 6:18

Amariet Karahalidis seconded

Vote 5-0-0 Unanimous

Documents reviewed:

MCC FY24 Panel Book

Grant tracking spreadsheet

November 1st Meeting Minutes

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy St Julien, Secretary

Date signed

Date sent to Town Clerk