

Meeting Minutes

Lenox Cultural Council

May 15, 2023

Present: Arlene Schiff, Erin McNamara, Robin Kimbrough-Melton, Donna Pignatelli, Winnie Vahle, Gabriela Sheehan

Arlene Schiff called the meeting to order at 7:33 pm. The following business was conducted by the Council:

- Planning for Grantee's Reception

Council members will do a site visit to the barn at the Pleasant Valley Wildlife Sanctuary on May 19 at 1:00 pm in preparation for the grantees reception. Confirmed performers at the reception include Talya Kingston, WAM; Olga Dunn and dancers from the Olga Dunn Dance Company; Stockbridge Sinfonia will bring two violinists; and Berkshire Children's Chorus will bring approximate 10 children who will sing and play the ukulele. Rep. Pignatelli and Marybeth Mitts will also be invited to speak. The Council discussed strategies for disseminating invitations including putting flyers in various venues around town. Council members will conduct a site visit of the venue on May 19 at 1:00 pm.

- Community Survey

The community survey has been finalized. Arlene will send a link to Kerry to distribute to the community. It will close on June 30. Once the survey closes, Arlene will compile the results and send to Robin.

- Elections

The Nominating Committee has Robin Kimbrough-Melton as chair, Erin McNamara as treasurer and Winnie Vahle as secretary. The slate was approved by Council members. Arlene noted that a representative of the Council is invited to sit on the Cultural District which meets on zoom the second Thursday of the month at 9:30. Arlene will let them know that about the change in leadership.

- Treasurer's report

Erin reported that three grantees have been reimbursed for a total of \$1,470.

Having no other business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Robin Kimbrough-Melton, Secretary