

January 26, 2021

Zoom Meeting

Meeting called to order at 6:43 PM

Notes by: Diane Spanos

Members Present: Amie Taylor, Andrea Lettic, Mary DeCoursey, Marilyn Kulesa, Melanie Marcou, Diane Spanos

Secretary’s Report: The minutes from the December 16, 2020 meeting were read and accepted.

New Business:

- Review and Discuss Grant submissions:
 - 31 Applicants
 - \$14,783.00 Total Requested from 31 applicants
 - \$9023.00 available to spend on grants
 - \$8500 State Allocation and .05% saved for council expenses - \$425.00, leaving \$8075 of this year’s state allocation.
 - Discussion continued and all agreed to focus on grants written by or grants which would benefit the Auburn town population and grants which aligned with the priorities set by the 2020 Community Survey.

• **Approved Grants and Amounts:**

○ **Auburn Public Library Approved Grants:**

▪ Bemis Farm Adult Craft Decoration	#44716	\$375.00
▪ Petunias and Tomatoes	#44652	\$700.00
▪ In House Programs	#44510	\$600.00
▪ The Importance of Bees	#44497	\$150.00
▪ Learn to Play the Ukulele	#44472	\$300.00
▪ Summer 2021 Reading Program	#44297	\$750.00
▪ Animal Adventure Rescue Zoo	#43419	\$500.00
▪ Hands on Nature Summer Camp	#42601	<u>\$650.00</u>

SubTotal: \$4025.00

○ Writing, Publishing, Marketing Workshop	#44936	\$300.00
○ Concert for Seniors/Dan Kirouac	#44036	\$250.00
○ SWIS Family Cookbook	#41763	\$1500.00
○ 85 th Regional Exhibition Art and Craft, FAM	#41849	\$200.00

o All Together Drumming by Tim Kane	#42106	\$200.00
o The Upstander Project S. Lemovitz	#20225	\$125.00
o Free Access to live-stream classical music	#40241	\$600.00
o Read Across Auburn, pre-school, S. Lemovitz	#39713	\$230.00
o MUSIC IS LOVE-Music, Magic Co Dawn Kelley	#39691	\$300.00
o From JAZZ to Hip Hop Life Care Center	#39359	<u>\$500.00</u>
	Sub Total:	\$4205.00
	Total:	\$8230.00

Potential Grants: Mary has volunteered to email two grant applicants to see how their programs will be specifically targeted to an Auburn audience. Mary will offer a connection for them to contact Kristin Pappas to schedule a performance at Pappas Park and the contact information for the Auburn Cable Television for a virtual presentation. If they respond in a positive way we will vote to grant them what they have requested. The two grants are:

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| 1. Stephano: The True Story of Shakespeare’s Shipwreck | #46267 | \$300.00 |
| 2. CHAINSAWS, CHEESEBURGERS, AND ROCK N ROLL-LIVE! | #44113 | <u>\$500.00</u> |

Potential Total Grant Funding	\$9030.00
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It was decided that grant denial letters could go out this week. Applicants will have two weeks to apply for reconsideration. The Mass Cultural council will inform us of any grants requesting reconsideration and we will then have to vote on those grants again.

In order to finalize the exact amounts for each grant awarded, it is necessary to meet again next week. The next meeting date is February 3, 2021 at 6:30 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 8:52 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane F. Spanos

