

Bedford Cultural Council
Bedford Town Hall
Monday June 1, 2015
7:00pm

Approved
8/5/2015
Susan Stuchin

Present: Barbara Purchia, Chair, Breena Daniell, Asst. Chair, Ginny Packer, Treasurer, Linda Connelly Secretary, George Epple, Leslie Wittman, Gyasi Burks-Abbott, Polly Herz
Absent: Susan Grieb

Call to Order

Reviewed and unanimously accepted the Bedford Cultural Council minutes from May 11, 2015

Treasurer's Report - Ginny submitted two treasurer's reports.

1. Draft BCC balance sheet for 2014 - 2015 as of May 30, 2015. This was reviewed, minor changes noted, and is attached.
2. A listing of all past grants 2008 - 2015. This list includes the amounts granted and the amounts paid out for each grant. This report is also attached.

Reminders should be sent to the grant recipients in July/August reminding them to submit their receipts. They have until December to send the receipts.

This is Ginny's last year on the Cultural Council. She will work with George Epple, the new Treasurer, through July to submit MCC reports.

The slate of officers for the Bedford Cultural Council 2015 - 2016 was unanimously approved.

Barbara Purchia - Chair
Breena Daniell - Asst. Chair
George Epple - Treasurer
Linda Connelly - Secretary

The Bedford Community Input Survey was reviewed, unanimously accepted with two minor changes and is attached. Leslie will enter it in SurveyMonkey and request input by August 1. Gyasi will write a piece for the newspapers which will include the link to go to the survey. Committee members will send the article as follows:

- Bedford Minuteman - Gyasi
- Bedford Citizen - Gyasi
- Bedford Patch - George
- Hansconian - Linda
- Bedford Yahoo group - Leslie
- Chamber of Commerce newsletter - George
- Council on Aging (COA) newsletter - Barb
- Friends of the Bedford Public Library newsletter - Linda
- Notices at the library or other town locations - All
- Cable access channel - George
- Local arts newsletters (BCA Blast, BACS newsletter) - Barb
- Social Media - Gyasi and all on our own Facebook pages.

The results of the survey will be reviewed at our August meeting.

Gyasi will also be preparing an article, with a little more in-depth information about the Bedford Cultural Council, for submission to the media late August /early September. It will inform the public as

to who we are, what we do, and what's available to whom. We hope that it will encourage people to apply in this year's grant cycle. It will also give anyone, who may need help with this application, a contact. We should try to get a picture of the committee.

Everyone please contact people to apply for the BCC opening.

Upcoming meetings:

August 5, 2015 Wednesday 7:00pm - Discuss Bedford Day, develop call list for potential grantees, and review results of SurveyMonkey. Determine if September meeting is necessary.

October 21, 2015 Wednesday 7:00pm - Application review, approval and disapproval

November 18, 2015 Wednesday 7:00pm – Voting meeting and distribution of grant money

December - a potluck supper for the BCC board members and their families, followed by a short meeting.

Meeting Adjourned 8:22pm