

Pursuant to Governor Baker's March 12, 2020 Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, and the Governor's March 15, 2020 Order imposing strict limitations on the number of people that may gather in one place, no in-person attendance of members of the public will be permitted at this meeting. Access via Zoom is provided for the required opportunity for public participation at the bottom of the agenda.

The Medway Cultural Council meeting was held via Zoom at 7 p.m. on January 26, 2021.

Medway Cultural Council Art Programming Subcommittee Minutes January 26, 2021

Meeting started: 7:05 pm Meeting ended: 8:55 pm

Present: Gail Hachenberg, Jordan Warnick, Karyl Wong, Joanne Williams, Judith Moffatt,

Valerie Shinas, Becky Atwood, Celeste Falcone, Jennifer Kendall

Absent: Kim Blenkhorn

- 1. Minutes from November were amended and then approved with a motion from Jordan and a second from Judith.
- 2. COAAST was discussed. Because the group is based in Rhode Island, they were unable to apply for a Mass Cultural Council grant. The therapeutic benefits of a program like this, the emotionally-stirring performances, as well as the increase in mental health issues during this pandemic were mentioned. A motion was made to recommend providing COAAST a partial grant up to \$750 from the Cultural Council (with Medway THRIVE and other businesses hopefully providing the balance needed for a performance). This recommendation will be given at the next all-council meeting. Jordan noted that Hazel would volunteer to be the point person on this project.
- 3. The names of the bridges for the Bridge Project were discussed. The following names will be recommended to the whole council for approval (one is yet to be determined).
 - a. 1.Boots and Bonnet Bridge.

- b. 2. Poets Crossing
- c. 3. Grizzly Adams Approach
- d. 4. Charlotte (heart symbol) George Lee Farm Bridge
- e. 5. David Hoag Boardwalk
- f. 6. To be Determined
- g. 7. The Volunteer Walk
- h. 8. Dog Leg Passage
- i. 9. Cart Path Bridge
- j. 10. Christmas Tree Crossing
- k. 11. Billy Goats Gruff
- 4. Jordan's proposal for a behind-the-scenes culinary spotlight video series was discussed. Approval was made to recommend pursuing this project. Gail will contact Barry from Medway Cable Access to find out if it is viable, with Gail and Valerie working as the point people on this project.
- 5. Photo contests were discussed. Approval was made to recommend pursuing a spring photo contest. The committee would like to have a member who hasn't been as active with the council to be the point person on this.
- 6. Update from Kim:

To date, the council has 6 artists whom we have spotlighted. Celeste's spotlight is ready for review and will go live February1,2021.

To date we have had 1,800 views, 492 visitors, with Sunday being the most popular viewing day. Thus far, Tim Rice has been our most visited post.

Lee's photos and questionnaire has been received and he will be featured in March. Kim has materials from Rich Puleo, Laura Osterweiss and Erin McCarthy which will take us through June.

Kim is still waiting to hear back from several artists.

Kim would like the Art Development to consider a teen artists spotlight or a teen month featuring high school students artwork.

Respectfully submitted, Jennifer Kendall, Gail Hachenburg

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