

Millbury Cultural Council

12/7/2023

Present: Carolyn, Ann, Jose, Sierra, Judy, Ainsley

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Meeting called to order at 6:30pm.

Motion to approve the meeting minutes from July 13, 2023 accepted.

We welcomed new members Judy and Ainsley to the Council.

Each of the 22 applications that were received were reviewed and the merits of each and their applicability to the goals of the Council were discussed in detail. Main points that guided the review included the definition of cultural arts, the ability to reach broad audiences and offer diverse activities across the grouping of approved applications, and the success (or lack thereof) of projects supported in previous years.

The following is the list of applicants and the decision whether to approve the application or not.

1. Asa Waters – Yes
2. Blackstone Valley Art Association, Inc. – No
3. Blackstone Valley Community Chorus, Inc. – No
4. Blackstone Valley Community Concert Band, Inc. – No
5. BVT – Yes, less than asked for
6. Discovery Museum, Inc. – Yes
7. Motoko Dworkin – Yes
8. Diane Edgecomb – No
9. Grafton Arts, Inc. – Yes, but award less than asked for
10. Francis Hart – No
11. Gregory Maichack – Yes
12. Scott Maloney – No
13. Lynne McKenney Lydick – Yes
14. Millbury Memorial Junior/Senior High School – Yes, but award less than asked for
15. Millbury Public Library – Yes, but award less than asked for
16. PlantGuyEric Consulting, LLC, Lisa & Eric – No
17. Thomas E. Rull – Yes
18. Lisa Shea – No
19. Elizabeth Silvia – No
20. Patrick Smith – No
21. Town of Millbury – Yes
22. Matt York – No

A motion to vote to approve (or not) the projects as identified and the amounts awarded was made and all were in favor.

Approvals will be submitted on January 8, 2024, as will the annual report, by Carolyn. Ann will submit the rejections for those not approved tonight (December 7, 2023).

The next meeting will be on February 1, 2024 at 6:30pm to review and sign off on the paperwork that must be submitted by the approved projects. This will be three weeks after the projects receive their approval; this provides an additional week beyond the two-week deadline they have to submit their paperwork.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made and all were in favor.

Meeting adjourned at 7:41pm.

Chair Carolyn Pappas

Member Ainsley G. Watt

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