

Town of Auburn, Massachusetts
Auburn Cultural Council
104 Central Street, Auburn MA 01501-2303

Meeting Minutes
Remote: Zoom video call

Thursday, November 2, 2023

In attendance (remotely): Gillian Kies, Piya Mazumdar (left at 7:00 pm), Stephen Redding, Kate Brandt, Keith Vezeau (joined late)

Guest:

Absent: Suhas Barua

Meeting Called to Order at 6:04 pm

1. P. Mazumdar moved that the minutes from the September 25, 2023 meeting be accepted as submitted by K. Brandt. S. Redding seconded. Unanimously approved.
2. Change Request
 - a. Sheryl Faye requested to move Eleanor Roosevelt event from March to October 23. S. Redding moved that we accept the date change. G. Kies seconded. Unanimously approved.
 - b. Faith Church's reimbursement included a significant amount for refreshments, which were not mentioned in the original grant. G. Kies will reach out to ask them about it and we will discuss at a future meeting.
3. Financial Updates
 - a. Karen Harnois at the Town office has been a big help for the financial report. The report was submitted by the October 17 deadline.
 - b. For FY24, we have \$11,000 to grant
 - c. For FY23, to date, we have reimbursed \$6,400 out of \$13,411 granted. A Google Sheet has been shared with the Council that tracks who has submitted for reimbursement, etc.
4. Grant Application review
 - a. Council reviewed applications as submitted
5. Sommers Smith, our new MCC Program Officer, joined to meet the group.
6. Next meeting set November 14 for at 6:00 pm to continue discussing applications.
7. Meeting adjourned at 7:14pm.

Minutes submitted by K. Brandt, secretary