

Amherst Cultural Council
Grant Review Meetings from November 10 – December 16, 2021.

Meeting Minutes

November 10, 2021

Via Zoom 6:30 pm – 8:16 pm

Matt Holloway, Julianne Applegate, Jenny Lind, Arthur Pero, Rachel Wang,
Leah Neuburger, Joy Jarne, Robin Thompson, Christy Anderson, Cole Graber-Mitchell,
Nandi Chivende, and Cyndi Harbeson, Town Liaison

Meeting came to order at 6:35 pm with an audio and video check script read by Matt.

1. Approval of the October 14, 2021 minutes by roll-call vote.
2. Introduction of Christy Anderson, thank you to Rachel, Cyndi and Julianne for putting together the scoring spreadsheet. We will likely need to schedule some additional meetings. Matt has already contacted some applicants with questions if they were missing important information like venue and dates. Any questions about the process were discussed before starting.
3. The council reviewed grant applications 1-10.
4. New business
5. Meeting adjourned at 8:16 pm

Meeting Minutes

November 16, 2021

Via Zoom 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm

Matt Holloway, Julianne Applegate, Jenny Lind, Cole Graber-Mitchell, Rachel Wang,
Christy Anderson, and Cyndi Harbeson, Town Liaison

1. Matt read script for tonight's meeting.
2. Called to order 4:35 pm and roll call with audio check.
3. Matt invited discussion of conflict-of-interest rules. Cole filled out disclosure form and sent it to town. Any council member that has applied for a grant should not participate in discussion of the grant or present any information. During application discussions related council member's involvement in a potential grant award we need to be very careful to be forthright about our relationship with the grantee.
4. Council reviewed grant applications 11-27.
5. Meeting adjourned at 6:02 pm

Meeting Minutes

November 17, 2021

Via Zoom 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Matt Holloway, Julianne Applegate, Jenny Lind, Robin Thompson, Christy Anderson, Arthur Pero, Nandi Chivende, Leah Neuburger, Joy Jarne, Rachel Wang, Cole Graber-Mitchell, and Cyndi Harbeson, Town Liaison

1. Matt read script for tonight's meeting.
2. Called to order 6:33 pm and roll call with audio check.
3. Cole and Leah's Showcase grant can be paid through ACC administrative funds - Mina Kim confirmed. We have over \$9000 to use for projects. Every year we can take 5% from of the year allocation from the MCC. Motion made to grant money to for Cole and Leah's Showcase project, seconded and approved by roll-call vote.
4. Council review of grants 28 – 41.
5. Matt will send out a poll to set up more meetings.
6. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm

Meeting Minutes

December 1, 2021

Via Zoom 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm

Matt Holloway, Julianne Applegate, Jenny Lind, Robin Thompson, Christy Anderson, Arthur Pero, Joy Jarne, Rachel Wang, Leah Neuberger, and Cyndi Harbeson, Town Liaison

1. Matt read script for tonight's meeting.
2. Called to order 6:34pm and roll call with audio check.
3. Discussion of Jupong Lin grant extension request to extend until August 2022. Approved by roll-call vote. Jenny will follow up with Jupong. ACC Logos are accessible on Town's SharePoint.
4. New Dates for next meetings December 8, 13, 14, 16 all at 6:00 pm
5. Council review of grant applications 42 – 55.
6. We will discuss the possibility of using some of our administrative funds to supplement this year's grant amount at our next meeting.
7. Meeting adjourned at 8:07 pm

Meeting Minutes

December 8, 2021

Via Zoom 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Matt Holloway, Julianne Applegate, Jenny Lind, Robin Thompson, Arthur Pero, Joy Jarne, Rachel Wang, and Cyndi Harbeson, Town Liaison

1. Matt read script for tonight's meeting.

2. Called to order 6:05pm and roll call with audio check.
3. Jenny started off discussing MFA funding/non-funding issue
4. Council review of grants 56 – 62.
5. Meeting adjourned at 7:47 pm

Meeting Minutes

December 13, 2021

Via Zoom 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Matt Holloway, Julianne Applegate, Jenny Lind, Robin Thompson, Arthur Pero, Cole Graber-Mitchell, Joy Jarne, Nandi Chivende, and Cyndi Harbeson, Town Liaison

1. Matt read script for tonight's meeting.
2. Called to order 6:04 pm and roll call with audio check.
3. December 14 meeting cancelled. Next meeting Thursday, December 16 at 6:00.
4. Discussion of moving \$5000 from administrative fund into grant fund. We would still have about \$2000 left in administrative funds. Transfer approved by roll-call vote.
5. Grant review 63-82. The council will revisit the three thesis projects at the next meeting.
6. Meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm

Meeting Minutes

December 16, 2021

Via Zoom 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Matt Holloway, Julianne Applegate, Jenny Lind, Robin Thompson, Arthur Pero, Cole Graber-Mitchell, Rachel Wang, Joy Jarne, Leah Neuberger, Christy Anderson, and Cyndi Harbeson, Town Liaison

1. Matt read script for tonight's meeting.
2. Called to order 6:05 pm and roll call with audio check.
3. Request from Amherst Public Art Commission to extend the balance of their funding to August 1, 2022. The request is approved by roll-call vote.
4. Date for a review meeting for any applicants that were denied funding that wish to be reconsidered. January 6, 2022 at 6:00 pm.
5. Review of last six grant proposals that hadn't been considered fully yet.
6. Review of preliminary numbers and the council votes to accept approved by roll-call vote.
7. Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm.
8. Final vote to take place on January 6, 2022.

Jenny Lind, Secretary