

Minutes of April 1 BCA Meeting via zoom at 7.00pm

Present: Daniel Gostin, Amy Emmert, Lea Cohen, Austin Seeley, Betsy Frauenthal, Stan Trecker, Caroline Bowden, Donna Hollenberg, Peg O'Connell, Sara Erkal

Absent: Ilana Lescohier, Sidney Nolan, Courtney McGlynn. Admin: Gillian Jackson

Meeting commenced at 7.08pm

1. March Meeting Minutes - Will be approved at the next meeting.

2. Treasurer's Report

Betsy had no new updates; is waiting on guidance for grantee reimbursement.

3. Grant Program

Some grantee events have already taken place and they can be reimbursed as usual. For any grantee postponing or amending their events, the motion was proposed, seconded and passed unanimously to give a blanket 'pre-approval' of any proposed amendments to grant projects, per MCC guidelines, via Daniel and Gillian. Gillian is going to send a letter to all grantees (document attached) detailing such, after which commissioners will send individual emails to their grantees.

4. Grantee Reception

Will be postponed until late September or October (TBD); postponement will go into Gillian's letter to grantees, but each commissioner will reiterate that in individual emails to grantees. Lea will cancel the food donations.

5. Cultural Contributor Award

Commissioner nominations have been received for Margaret Hollister, head of the Brookline Library Music Association; Hayley Greenberg, co-founder of The Makery; and Kathy Bisbee, executive director at BIG. Since the award is tied to the Grantee Reception, there will be no need to vote until the September meeting. In the meantime further nominations can be sent to Gillian and Daniel and they'll be compiled for voting in September.

6. Website

Gillian has put on our website links to various at-home projects and virtual concerts and events. If you know of local artists/groups producing virtual content, send details to Gillian for inclusion.

7. Town Hall Walls

Donna and Ilana will discuss whether to extend the current exhibition into the next THW period (as is most likely the case and already advertised on our website).

8. AOB

- The Booth Theater concert will be postponed until the early fall as well; the bands have been notified and there have been no costs incurred thus far.

- The BCA Municipal Match for grant funds - Town meeting has been rescheduled until June 23, 24 and 25.

Meeting adjourned at 7.47pm