

Bolton Cultural Council Meeting Minutes
November 30, 2023
7:00 PM
Via Zoom

Attendees:

Chris Sterling, Chair
Clare Moses, Secretary
Pat Bensetler
Margot Brody
Maggie Campbell
Wendy Eldridge
Beth Fridinger
Holly Lauer
Jem Mix
Lyn Slade

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

Several new members were welcomed: Maggie Campbell, Wendy Eldridge, Beth Fridinger, Holly Lauer and Lyn Slade. New officers were elected: Jem Mix as Chair, Holly Lauer as Treasurer. Clare Moses will continue for one more year as secretary.

Grants were discussed and awarded. As stated previously we favor grants with a local sponsor, and a demonstrated local connection. The following grants were awarded.

Bolton and Harvard Open Studios	500
Sawyer PTO	
In school enrichment	500
Healing Power of Music Program	
Clear Path for Veterans	500
Open Door Connections	
Discovery Museums	100
Alexander's Jazz Time Band	200
First Parish of Bolton	
87th Regional Arts/Crafts Show	
Fitchburg Art Museum	200
Friends of Bolton Seniors	
Yours for Humanity-Abby	325
Friends of Bolton Seniors	
Tales of Wisdom for Young and Old	175
Groton Hill Music	
Bach's Lunch	250

She Grooves	100
Music for Positive Change	
First Robotics	
Minuteman HS	150
Nashoba First Robotics Team	150
Spring Musical -Nashoba	675
Nashoba Symphonic Band	500
Interpretive Stations	
Rediscover Mapledale	500
Outdoor Summer Concert Series	
Old Methodist/Episcopal Church	
Of Berlin	200
Sounds of Stow Concert Season	200
Artistic Movement to Heal	
Virginia Thurston Healing Garden	500
Museum of Russian Icons	
Program for Bolton Residents	350
Watercolor Class	
Program for Bolton Residents	375
Worcester Chamber Music Society	
Fall Concert	150
The grants totaled	\$6,600

Grant requests from the following were denied because it was decided that other programs adhered more closely to our stated guidelines and/or were more directly and widely beneficial to Bolton residents.

Sing On-Acton Community Chorus
Haitian Cuisine Tour – Joseph Valery
Nashoba Valley Chorale – On that Glad Night
To Life- Celebrations in Story, Song and Music
Afternoon of Brass—Patrick Smith

The group voted to confirm the awards as listed. . The meeting was adjourned.

Minutes submitted by Clare Moses