

## Sudbury Cultural Council Minutes of Meeting November 20, 2019

**Location:** Sudbury Senior Center

**Present:** Claudia Brandon, Ellen Gitelman, Cynthia Kazior, Martha Romanoff, Tania Vitvitsky, Amy Wilson Sheldon

## **Actions:**

• Claudia reviewed the finances:

\$6200 from the State

\$331 left from previous year admin, unused grant money from last year and interest

- The committee discussed the amount to carry over for current year admin and possible program for grantees during the year. After reviewing grant requests which were far in excess of the amount we had to give out, it was decided to release all but \$91 to be applied to grant requests. This would release an additional \$240. A vote confirmed this amount. Total amount for grant distribution was \$6440.
- Additional relevant information gathered on grant requests since the last meeting was shared. Please note that per our guidelines posted on our web page, we had eliminated all grant applicants who did not have a guaranteed location or date (in other words, applicants who were offering their services to us in the hope that we would hire them) in the previous meeting.
- Each person assigned grants a number from 1 to 24. The numbers were then tallied and averaged. (NOTE: members with ties to a particular grant abstained from that grant decision).
- The amounts to be distributed to each grant were then assigned. Please note that due to the large number of grants and grant amounts requested, this year, it was not possible to give most grants the full amount hoped for, and some grants at the low end of the list had to be dropped from the list entirely.

## Next Steps:

- Yael to send out rejection letters.
- Martha to send out acceptance letters after a 2-week waiting period.