Needham Cultural Council Minutes of Meeting Wednesday, November 9, 2016 Town Hall

<u>Present:</u> Mary Hensley, David Ecsedy, Elise Miller, Beth Wells, Kristen Mazzocchi, Sharon Brietbart, Ron Lowry

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM.

The minutes of the previous meeting (October 13), compiled by Beth, were approved.

There was a short discussion about the up-coming Winter Arts Festival on December 10 (10 AM - 3 PM) which the NCC is supporting with a \$500 contribution. Kristin and Elise are looking into making sure that all accounting for the Winter Arts Festival is managed in an account separate from our two NCC accounts.

The rest of the meeting was devoted to the FY17 grant cycle. There were 18 grant applications received. Each of the eight current members of the Council were assigned as primary reviewers of two or three of the applications. Each of the applications were considered for funding. The following organizations and dollar amounts were approved by vote of the Council:

Discovery Museum	225
Highland Glee Club	400
Longwood Opera	1000
Needham Community Theatre	550
Needham Concert Society	850
Needham Council on Aging	400
Needham Diversity	375
New Year's Needham	400
Olin College	400
Temple Aliyah	300

The Council is thus awarding \$4900 for the FY17 grant cycle.

The next Council meeting is expected to be on Wednesday January 18.

The meeting adjourned at 9:02 PM.

David Ecsedy

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