Needham Cultural Council Minutes of March 8, 2017 meeting (Highland Room, Town Hall)

Members present: Mary Hensley, Sharon Breitbart, David Eksedy, Gail Lustig, Kristen Mazzocchi and Beth Wells

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM

Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted

The Chair began by checking the members' standing for the coming year. David Ecsedy's term will end and the Chair is leaving also. The need for further members will be communicated to Sandy Cincotta and Marianne Cooley.

The timeline of commitments for the Council will be provided by Mary for the next council chairperson.

• The treasurer's report was given and accepted.

\$300 remains from the 2016 budget planned for the Historical Society which requested a delay in their grant project. Permission was given by the Council for the change. Kristen will follow up with them.

The present year's MCC budget has \$300 for the Highland Glee Club. Their reimbursement will come after their concert in April.

A musical production at Temple Aliyah was abandoned for lack of support/interest or a director, leaving our budget with \$300.

Needham Diversity has been granted a 501(c)3 designation and so will find it easier to attract donations or grants. It would be helpful if Solstice were to pursue that designation also.

Kristen reported that there are new rules regarding reimbursement, no members of committees may be reimbursed directly, ordering of supplies, etc. must be done through Sandy. We may invite Sandy to clarify the new rules for us.

• Donor reception was discussed. A decision to change the meeting name from grantees reception, to Annual NCC Reception.

A date of May 24 was chosen for our grantees reception; Beth will check with Paul Duffy at North Hill to see if this time is available.

Gail volunteered to do the computer mailing of announcements, including a "save the date" message.

Possible speakers suggested were Steven Mayler and Greg Lieberman. Kristen will be our MC.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, April 12.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45

Respectfully submitted, Beth Wells