

December 12, 2022, 5:00p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

**Whately Cultural Council Annual Meeting / Grant Distribution**

**PRESENT:** Adelia Bardwell, Paula Jenkins, Richard Korpiewski, Ruth Leahey, Julia Mines, Jenny Morrison, Nancy Talanian (Chair), Riina Viise, Nance Rifanburg

**MINUTES:**

Nancy called the meeting to order at 5:20 p.m.

**Council Process:** It was determined that going forward, the Chair and the secretary can approve minutes after sending to the council to solicit their approval. There will be no additional meeting needed to approve minutes. A roll call was taken with all unanimously approving the process.

**Roll over funds from FY 22:** The council received a letter from the Racial Justice Rising group that requested to roll over their 2022 grant of \$200 for use in 2023. There was discussion as to why the group did not use the funds in 2022. Nancy explained that they took some time to re-think priorities and will utilize the funds in 2023. A roll call was taken with all unanimously approving to allow Racial Justice Rising to rollover their \$200 grant until 2023.

The following officers were unanimously elected for one-year terms via a roll-call vote:

Chair: Nancy Talanian (term expires March 2023)

Secretary: Nance Rifanburg

Treasurer: Richard Korpiewski

The roll of Chair and Vice Chair were tabled until the next meeting.

**Grant decision making:** The council reviewed the grant applications totaling \$18,537 and made awards from available 2023 grant funds of \$6,688. 29 grant applications were received and 20 grants were voted to approve 9 grant applications were denied. The council voted to distribute \$6,688 in grant funds.

**Adjournment.** Nancy adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nance Rifanburg, Secretary