## Mid Cape Cultural Council Meeting Barnstable Town Hall February 19, 2014

**Present**: Becky Lawrence, Mary Carroll Allen, Elise McMullin, Pat Austin, Angela Bilski, Crystal Gips

Absent: Doug McHugh, Marlene Weir

The meeting was called to order by chair Becky Lawrence at 6:34 p.m.

## **Announcements:**

Jessica Rapp Grassetti, Town Council liaison from Barnstable, presented pins displaying the Barnstable 375th logo to Barnstable members, thanked the committee for its work on behalf of the town and region, and congratulated us on the Council of the Year award.

The minutes of the January meeting were approved as submitted.

Elise McMullin has taken over as treasurer since Janet Preston is resigning because she is moving away from the area. There were no changes from the January report. The Mills Restaurant check of \$250 is now in hand, and the balance of unencumbered money, one that check is deposited, is \$504. Report accepted as made, moved by Crystal; second, Mary Carroll.

Crystal reported on the report to the Yarmouth selectmen in January. She reported that the Board members were interested in the work of the Council and appreciative of its work.

The biennial Massachusetts Cultural Council Local Cultural Council Assembly and advocacy day at which we received the Council of the Year award was a very positive event at the State House. Members visited with Rep. Brian Mannal and Sen. Dan Wolf and were very pleased with their support for the arts.

We now have 2 vacancies on the Council for Barnstable residents, although only one vacancy is official until Janet notifies Town Council Administrator Barbara Ford in writing. We were encouraged to identify potential new members.

## **Publicity and Fundraising:**

Mary Carroll shared the new colored logo, which she designed. She will make postcards based on the logo.

We are working with 4 Seas Ice Cream on a new summer fundraiser. We will host an art show featuring 4 Seas ice cream memories. Each entry will cost \$5. There will be 4 categories for children, youth, and adults. Mary Carroll is negotiating to have the

reception held at the Centerville Library. 4 Seas will provide prizes and ice cream for the reception. Date to be determined.

We will design our own banner (rather than buying one through the arrangements for banners offered by MCC) of about 60 inches in height with stand. A budget of \$250 is estimated for the sign, postcards, and other branding needs. Mary Carroll will develop a design and try to get the banner made before the reception on March 27.

Angela, with Sharon's assistance, is heading up planning for the grantee reception scheduled for March 27 from 5-7 p.m. It will occur at the Cape Cod Museum of Art. The show we supported through a grant award (All About sEVEn) will be on the walls at the time, and the curator of the show, Shawn Dahlstrom will speak briefly at the reception. We reviewed and modified the draft invitation. Invitation lists are being reviewed and developed. Becky will follow up with elected officials. Potential grantee presentations were reviewed. Angela, with help from Patricia and Doug, will be responsible for performances. Sharon, with Crystal's help, is responsible for working with the groups doing displays. Elise and Mary Carroll will work on handouts. We all need to help solicit or prepare food for the event. Emcees for the performances will be Patricia and/or Mary Carroll.

The next meeting was set for Wednesday, March 12, at 6:30 to continue with and complete planning for the reception. This will be a work session, not a public meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Crystal Gips Secretary