

Gloucester Cultural Council Minutes  
Wednesday, August 28, 2019 – 5:30 PM-7:00 PM  
Gloucester City Hall, Dale Avenue  
Third Floor Conference Room

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In attendance: Amanda Nash, Chair, Shayla Kaufmann Swigart, Elizabeth Neumeier

Absent: Jane Keddy, Connie Kaitchik

Observer: Rebecca Nagle

1. Motion by Amanda Nash to approve the below listed minutes of prior meetings, with the typographical corrections, second by Shayla Kaufmann Swigart, approved unanimously.

- Minutes of November 29, 2018 meeting approved with correction of typo “to review the minutes form the December 9” to read “to review the minutes from the December 9”.
- Minutes of December 10, 2018 meeting approved as drafted.
- Minutes of the February 6, 2019 meeting approved with the correction of typo in the date which had mistakenly stated February 6, 2018 rather than February 6, 2019.
- Minutes of the April 24, 2019 meeting approved as drafted.

2. New GCC members Shayla Kaufmann Swigart and Elizabeth Neumeier were welcomed. Amanda Nash will invite Mina Kim, MCC Program Officer, Local Cultural Councils, Cultural Districts, to the GCC October meeting.

3. Amanda Nash related that two people invited to be members of the GCC have declined to pursue the appointment. Current members will explore other possibilities.

4. The 2019-20 grant cycle was reviewed and will be publicized through such means as Good Morning Gloucester, The Gloucester Daily Times, Facebook, the city website, Twitter, and the Gloucester High School Gillnetter newspaper. The GCC has been allotted \$10,400 to distribute in 2020.

The Council priorities for this grant cycle were discussed in the following priorities were agreed upon:

- must have a direct link to Gloucester
- must be accessible to a diverse group of people
- demonstrate innovative ways to bring science to the public
- build momentum and establish vitality within the community
- demonstrate planning and an ability to execute the plan

5. The need to identify changes to update the GCC pages on the MCC and city of Gloucester website was discussed.

- The Rocky Neck Cultural District logo should be included, in addition to the Harbor Town Cultural District logo.
- The mission statement will be amended to include sciences as follows: “funding helps to provide education and diversity in the arts, humanities and sciences and contributes to the City’s vitality and economy.”

6. Amanda Nash agreed to submit old and current minutes for publication on the web.

Minutes submitted by: Elizabeth Neumeier