



Minutes
February 26, 2019 6:30pm

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Members: Marlene Jennings, Chair; Dakeya Christmas, Co-Chair; Juliana Borgiani, Treasurer; Angelina McCoy, Carolina Anzola, Sharlene McLean

Absent: Devra Sari Zabot

Guests: Ellen Rovner, Chelsea Jewish Tours; Madalyn Lane, resident of Admiral's Hill

Staff: Bea Cravatta, Omar Miranda--Chelsea Recreation & Cultural Division Staff

I. Welcome and introductions of council to guests. Marlene said thanks on behalf of CCC to Sharlene McLean for her six years of service.

II. Minutes of 1/22/19 to be approved at the next meeting.

III. Chelsea Jewish Tours

Guest Ellen Rovner with Chelsea Gateway Project and Chelsea Jewish Tours spoke to the council about the upcoming year and her plans of using her grant. She wants to learn more about other cultural assets in Chelsea and came to get ideas from the council for her project. She discussed the mission of the tours, her goal to get more involvement from the community, and has posted spring and summer tour dates. Some dates have sold out including a group from the Boston Jewish Arts Collaborative from Brandeis. She discussed the tour route including the two synagogues, Williams School, and Dillon's. Bea mentioned that they are discussing plans to include tours in Recreation Division Summer Program Guide and asked how members could help to spread the word. Suggestions included reaching out to schools, possibly planning shorter tours for school groups, connecting with PreFlight busses to offer tours to older adults, Senior Center, setting target age groups, producing signs and media to post in community, creating a digital presentation for those not able to do walking tour, partnering with the Chelsea Jewish Nursing Home, Emerson or BU film school collaboration.

IV. FY19 Grants Management:

-Marlene read letter from Stacey Amaral for her project "Estamos Aquí" stating she would like to move forward with her project after reconsidering. She would like to do a smaller version with one workshop. The council voted to approve and agree on this unanimously. Carolina will be in touch with Stacey on group's decision and next steps.

-CCC reviewed grants assignments for this year. Bea reminded group to be sure to get in touch with recipients and involve her if touching base is an issue. Each member reviewed their assignments and discussed updates.

V. LOC Mural project: Marlene spoke with building owner and explained mural progress for this year being delayed due to weather. He asked about dip in road next to mural wall and Bea said she has mentioned this to DPW to target that area. Demetrius Fuller will be touching up mural and sealing it soon. Marlene told the building owner that we will plan a ribbon cutting event once the mural is complete.

VI. Project Plan 2019

Painted Boxes: Marlene spoke with Jenna Kilman about box on Fourth and Broadway Streets and she plans to finish by the spring. This must be finished by June 30.

Next meeting planned for March 26, 2019.

Meeting adjourned 7:40pm