

MidCape Cultural Council
October 6, 2025 Meeting
Town Hall, 3rd floor meeting room

Attending:

Carolyn Ferrell (Secretary), Courtney Butler (President), Rachel Youngling (Treasurer), Mary Bianco, Barbara Hersey, Margeaux Weber (ex-officio)

Rachel Jones, Bev Parke excused absence, Zavia Walker (sabbatical)

Meeting begins at 6:34 pm

September minutes approved as amended.

Treasurer's Report

Total state allocation is \$22,700, The committee agreed to take the legal allowable allowance of 5% (\$1,136) for future expenses, total left to allocate is \$21,565. Part of this will be allocated for Discovery Walk future signage other (unforeseen) expenses. Discovery walk sculptures included, Sun Compass, Ripple, Turn Turn Turn, See Saw.

New signage to match what the town is currently installing will be more than \$1k so the Council may LAUNCH A NEW Council Initiated Project of "New Signage" TBD

Outreach

Grants Workshop was a success with several totally new attendees present. In attendance were Margeaux, Rachel Y, Courtney, Barb and Kate.

Our account on the HyArts website needs to be updated. Rachel to speak to Mellissa?

Gmail Account

Recently our Gmail account has had its password changed several times. Rachel accessed the account at the meeting and only those present were "allowed" access, all other devices registered with the account were deleted. Current PW is Fund26Art!

917-586-3366 (Carolyn) and 617-605-7408 (Rachel) are the recovery phone numbers

2024 Final Reports

Reports are due by 12/31/25, make sure everyone has submitted their W9s

As of October, all 2025 grants have been paid.

We currently have 19 drafts on SmartSimple and 14 submitted projects. All Council members should read up in SmartSimple each week so the number of submitted grants isn't overwhelming when we need to evaluate and vote!

Upcoming Meetings

November meeting will be Monday, November 17, at 6 pm (possible potluck dinner?), grant review

Brief orientation of how grants are graded, Discussion of priorities

Discussion ensured about different methods for personally reviewing grants

December meeting will be Monday, December 8, final vote on grants

TO DO:

Everyone: Review our grant policies and funding priorities, continue to check Mass Cultural Smart Simple program for submitted proposals

Meeting adjourned at 7:37 pm