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CULTURAL COUNCIL

MCC Meeting
October 12, 2023
The Worklery
7pm - 8:30pm

IN ATTENDANCE: Jason, Sara, Lily, Jim, Elizabeth, Laura, Sara, Nick, Clio

Minutes approved - take Lily off and add Elizabeth Bouchard

Treasurer report - see attachment ([hyperlink](#))

2024 Grant Process Review - 16 applicants to date

String Quartet email: They were wondering if they should apply to the Messina Fund. We say yes! They were concerned about their fiscal year.

Another email requested suggestions for space to hold events. We will ask Jen Leclerc.

Steve Black wanted to make a change to the funding he received due to time constraints... offered to give the money back.

VOTE: all in favor of extending the timing of funds received to date: AYES all around

MARKETING UPDATE: Lily and Sara:

- Lily, Sara and Jenne met to discuss how to beef up marketing efforts of the MCC
- Maybe start by having more of a presence at the events: banners, t-shirts,
- For example, we should def. be at the air fair / it's on mission and will move us forward
- Where to collaborate with Melrose Cultural Alliance? Maybe survey?
- Top level summary of survey findings? Maybe ask other kinds of questions ?
- Discussion around maybe requesting grantees to submit images as part of final report

Jen LeClerc update on Melrose Cultural District: (30 min)

Presentation on how it started, what has taken place since, and where they hope it lands. "We've done as much as we can do and delivered it to the city". The ball is in the mayors hands to submit and take it to the next level.

Next steps:

Next meeting on November 16 - we will need to have scored all proposals on scoring sheet by the weekend before.