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Commissioners of Trust Funds Meeting Minutes

April 7, 2020 Noon

Teleconference (due to Covid-19)

Attendees: Rachael Mead, Martha McLure, Joe Twomey

Guests:

Review bills for approval

An email of the warrant bills will be sent for your approval. Please reply with approval/non-approval and I will attach that to the bill and bring that to Sarah. When the ban is lifted, I will get signatures for all invoices.

Payroll signatures have been waived for this period

Lecture Fund request from the Groton Herald –

Joe made a motion to approve this request because of the need for news during the Covid-19 crisis. Martha seconded. Unanimous decision.

How will people know about this? Will there be one free print paper to all Groton residents announcing this Suggest also COA and School District and all other social media options

Discussion on Covid-19 Relief Proposal - The Fundraising piece of this proposal is very much appreciated and will be welcomed however, once the money is gifted to the CCF, the Trust Commissioners will use the process that they have in place for review of applications and disbursement of funds. The Commissioners would also want people to reach out to the Commissioners directly if they have any questions about how the money is expended. Also, the Commissioners would like to provide a paragraph for fundraising purposes. Money will be used for daily living needs. The Commissioners will also take on the responsibility of coordination of programs with other institutions such COA and GDRSD.

Spreading the word about possible financial assistance availability –

Recorded a Zoom message for cable letting residents know that we have funds available to help with a wide variety of necessary living expenses.

Record a segment of Around Town – with approval

Send out a message via the School District letting people know of help available – with approval

Send announcement to the Groton Herald

Talk to the GELD about an announcement

Director's Report:

Update on 2020-2021 Lecture Fund applications – set a new deadline of June 1st.

Update on scholarship applications – establish possible deadline of June 9– let guidance know that kids can send their applications to my email

Open session for topics not anticipated 48 hours prior to the meeting

A vote to enter into Executive Session may be taken to discuss applications for the Green or Shepley Charity Funds which may include discussing the reputation, character, physical condition or mental health of an individual will be made. The individual to be discussed in such executive session shall be notified at least 48 hours prior to the proposed executive session.

Discuss Charity Application (0)