**GROTON CULTURAL COUNCIL**

**Meeting Minutes**

**April 18, 2023**

Called to order: 3:05 PM

Attending: Deb Busser, Harris McWade, Nancy Muller, Kathleen Phelps, Judith Romatelli, Dave Zeiler

Introductions: New member Deb Busser was introduced to the Council.

Discussion: As the board has many new members, there was a robust discussion of the role of the GCC in Groton and the surrounding towns. There was an explanation of the application process and time line as well as a discussion of the rationale used in awarding or denying funding to an applicant.

Growth Opportunities: There was a general mood of enthusiasm and optimism at the meeting, with many ideas for promoting and expanding the reach of the GCC. There was a consensus that the GCC could be a vital part of the community and that this committee was poised to expand the public’s understanding of the GCC.

Selection of Officers: By general consensus, the officers of the GCC were decided.

 Co-Chairs: Harris McWade and Judy Romatelli

 Treasurer: Kathleen Phelps

 Secretary: Nancy Muller

Deb Busser agreed to be the co-signer (with Kathleen Phelps) of disbursements to grantees.

Meeting Adjourned: 4:22 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Zeiler