The scheduled meeting of the Groton Cultural Council (GCC) was called to order by Chair Judy Romatelli on Tuesday, November19, 2024 at 7:02 p.m. at the Groton Public Library. Present were Judy Romatelli, Nancy Muller, Kathleen Phelps, Harris McWade, Cyndy Davidson, and Olive Coté. Leslie Lathrop was absent. Our non-voting student representative Haley Traverse, a junior at Groton-Dunstable High School, was also absent because of her induction ceremony into the National Honor Society.

Minutes of the October 28, 2024 meeting, incorporating the clarification in language suggested by McWade, were approved unanimously, following the motion made by Romatelli and seconded by Davidson.

The group discussed each of 18 FY25 grant proposals, as presented by the member assigned to review it in depth. Agreements on each were reached regarding funding, although amounts were left tentative until all proposals have been fully reviewed and discussed, and a conclusion is reached on how to best allocate total funds available for distribution. Eleven remain to be discussed in depth.

It was agreed to schedule another meeting in early December in the hopes of completing this undertaking and communicating with all applicants well before the Massachusetts Cultural Council’s January deadline. Therefore, the next meeting is scheduled at the Groton Public Library on Tuesday, December 3, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.

Nancy Muller, Secretary