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## Meeting Minutes 01/09/2006

Arlington Arts Council  
Minutes of January 9, 2006  
Jefferson Cutter House  
Arlington, MA

Present: Mary Babic, Elinore Kagan, Karen Dillon, Jean Yoder, Amy Peters and Tom Formicola  
Absent: Betsy Campbell, Leland Stein, Margaret Ryding and Michele Meagher

Karen Dillon called the meeting to order at 7:36 p.m.

### ITEM 1: A Review of December Meeting Minutes

Council members reviewed the December meeting minutes. One change was noted (Mary Babic should be the council liaison to the Arl. Historical Society NOT Betsy). Tom moved to approve the minutes as submitted, Mary seconded and all approved.

### ITEM 2: RFP's (request for payment)

Elinore reported that the state deposited funds in our account for the year. Grant 2005-08 for Linda Bond-\$ 884.00 Elinore moved to approve the amount for Linda, Jean seconded and all approved. Grant 2005-15 for Aine Minogue \$ 1,769.00 Elinore moved to approve, Tom seconded all approved.

### ITEM 3: Winter Gala

the Gala has been postponed to late March early April.

The Council was supposed to meet at the Regent Theatre for this meeting and checkout the new downstairs space. However, the space at the Regent is not ready yet. Some of the council member expressed concern that using a new venue may hinder the event taking place and maybe for this year it's better to go with what we are familiar with. We evaluated if we should actually have the event this year or skip it. All agree to continue with the event and to have it at the Whittemore Robbins House again this year. Benefits are we can use the porches in April and it's become a traditional town event at that site.

Proposed dates: April 4th, 5th or 25th, 26th. Time should remain 7-9 pm.  
Questions for Betsy: Doesn't she have a task list outlining the array of tasks required to have the event? can we get that list from her? Did we limit the number of printed invitations mail last year to recipients and town dignitaries? Questions for Leland: Did he have some good contacts for supplying food that we can solicit again this year?

## ITEM 5: Other Business

## Council Website:

Mary put together a rough draft example of what kind of blog/council site we can get for 50.00 per year. It can be seen at: <http://wand.blogs.com/acc/>. Council members like the site and it's abilities.

GOLD Key Award: Tom did nominate the Dallin museum workbook online for a gold key award. The nominations in is being processed.

LCC Convention: is in March. many members are planning on attending.

New Members: We really needs to actively recruit new members. A few of us are cycling out of our final term and we will be down to a limited number of members. How can we get more council members to volunteer? Flyers? Articles in the Advocate? All council member should be thinking about where and how to recruit.

Advocate Arts Article: Mary will write this and submit it for publication in march. it will include a announcement of the Gala as well as a call for new members.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Karen Dillon

Karen has reserved the conference room in the Jefferson Cutter house for the following upcoming meetings :

Monday, February 6th 7:30-9 Jefferson Cutter House

Monday, March 6th 7:30-9 Jefferson Cutter House

Monday, April 3rd 7:30-9 Jefferson Cutter House

Please reserve these dates on your calendar.