

Volunteer Coordinating Committee

Meeting Minutes

October 20, 2022

7:00PM

Via Zoom Conference Call <https://zoom.us/j/87454124171>

Present: Gregory Hutchins, Hart Millett, and Fang Yang

Absent: None

Virtual Meeting Coordinator: Fang Yang

1. Opening

Chair Hutchins opened the meeting at 7:06PM

2. Regular Business

- A. Update on Committee Openings/Appointments - Chair Hutchins updated committee applications and appointments.
- B. Public Comments/citizens concerns - None.
- C. Approval of Meeting Minutes – The meeting minutes from the VCC’s meeting on September 22, 2022 were reviewed. Mr. Hutchins moved to approve the meeting minutes and Mr. Millett seconded. Chair Hutchins called roll:
Mr. Hutchins – aye; Mr. Millett – aye; and Mr. Yang – aye.
- D. Next Meeting –November 10, 2022.

3. New/Special Business

Discussion on Application by Chelsea Reinhold for Acton-Boxborough Cultural Council(ABCC)

- Mrs. Reinhold moved to Acton in 2019. She is self-employed so she has more time to participate activities in town. Her neighbor got her interested in ABCC. She believes that her science background will provide a unique prospective in ABCC. As a parent and home owner she is also in common with a lot of young applicants for ABCC funding.
- Mrs. Reinhold is a self-employed clinical operations consultant. She has BSc in Molecular + Cellular Biology and MS in Clinical Research.
- Mrs. Reinhold had attended two ABCC meetings and indicated that she could attend future ABCC meetings regularly.
- Mrs. Reinhold reported no conflict of interest.

Mr. Yang moved to forward Chelsea Reinhold’s name to the Select Board for further consideration to appoint as a member of the ABCC. Mr. Millett seconded. Chair Hutchins called roll:

Mr. Yang – aye; Mr. Millett – aye; and Mr. Hutchins – aye.

Discussion on Application by Minhua Liu for Commission on Disabilities (COD)

- Ms. Liu has lived in Acton over 20 years. She is a retired engineer. She met Franny Osman during women's activities, who introduced COD to her. And she has translated Chinese for COD and attended two COD meetings. She is also interested in helping disabled children.
- Ms. Liu indicated that she could attend future COD meetings regularly.
- Ms. Liu reported no conflict of interest.

Mr. Yang moved to forward Minhua Liu's name to the Select Board for further consideration to appoint as an associate member of the COD. Mr. Millett seconded. Chair Hutchins called roll: Mr. Yang – aye; Mr. Millett – aye; and Mr. Hutchins – aye.

Discussion on Application by Mary Hurley for ABCC

- Ms. Hurley is retired and has time. She loves to find out about cultural things to do and thought that it's fun to get involved (in ABCC).
- Ms. Hurley has a MEd from Suffolk University. She was a teacher for 3 years and worked for USPS over 30 years. She has art and music as minors in college.
- Ms. Hurley has attended ABCC meetings and indicated that she could attend future meetings regularly.
- Ms. Hurley reported no conflict of interest.

Mr. Millett moved to forward Mary Hurley's name to the Select Board for further consideration to appoint as a member of the ABCC. Mr. Yang seconded. Chair Hutchins called roll: Mr. Millett – aye; Mr. Yang – aye; and Mr. Hutchins – aye.

Discussion on Application by Dave Lunger for 250 Committee (250C)

- Mr. Lunger is interested in American history, likes to read books about American history and watches movies about American history, thinks of American history, and visits places in Massachusetts. He thought Acton should be in the forefront of the 250 years of anniversary. His particular interests is trying to liaison nationally to celebrate in Acton.
- Mr. Lunger has lived in Acton for 37 years. He was a software engineer worked for Honeywell. He is member of the Board of Registrars of Acton. He is the Chair of Chair of the Acton Republican Town Committee.
- Mr. Lunger indicated that he could attend future meetings regularly.
- Mr. Lunger reported no conflict of interest.

Mr. Millett moved to forward Dave Lunger's name to the Select Board for further consideration to appoint as a member of the 250C. Mr. Yang seconded. Chair Hutchins called roll: Mr. Millett – aye; Mr. Yang – aye; and Mr. Hutchins – aye.

Discussion on waiving interview for Bill Klauer for his application on 250C

Mr. Millett moved to waive Mr. Klauer's interview based on his long time service to the town. Mr. Yang seconded. Chair Hutchins called roll:

Mr. Millett – aye; Mr. Yang – aye; and Mr. Hutchins – aye.

Discussion on Application by Bill Klauer for 250C

- Mr. Klauer was an Acton fire fighter. He is the Chair of Acton Historical Society and has been a member for 62 years. He was a member of AHC for 51 years, a member of 53 River Street committee and Cemetery Commission.

Mr. Millett moved to forward Bill Klauer's name to the Select Board for further consideration to appoint as a member of the 250C. Mr. Yang seconded. Chair Hutchins called roll:

Mr. Millett – aye; Mr. Yang – aye; and Mr. Hutchins – aye.

Discussion on waiving interview for Stephen Trimble for his application on 250C

Mr. Yang moved to waive Mr. Trimble's interview based on his long time service to the town.

Mr. Millett seconded. Chair Hutchins called roll:

Mr. Millett – aye; Mr. Yang – aye; and Mr. Hutchins – aye.

Discussion on Application by Stephen Trimble for 250C

- Mr. Trimble is currently a member of Recreation Commission and a member of Community Preservation Committee. He has lived in Acton for 26 years.

Mr. Yang moved to forward Stephen Trimble's name to the Select Board for further consideration to appoint as a member of the 250C. Mr. Millett seconded. Chair Hutchins called roll:

Mr. Yang – aye; Mr. Millett – aye; and Mr. Hutchins – aye.

Discussion on response from Select Board member to question in regarding the voting right of ABRHS student members of DEIC

VCC unanimously agreed that Chair Hutchins will request a meeting with the Select Board through our Select Board liaison, Jim Snyder-Grant. Specifically, the VCC would like to know A) if Town Counsel has been consulted regarding the permissibility of giving minors full voting privileges on Town boards; B) how the VCC is to verify that the minor has "parental permission" as stipulated in the DEIC Charge, or if the SB is going to make this determination; C) what, if any, changes need to be made to the Committee Handbook which contains no mention of "adults" or "minors" in respect to eligibility for board/committee service.

4. Adjournment

At 9:05 PM

It was moved and seconded to adjourn the meeting. Chair Hutchins called roll:

Mr. Millett – aye; Mr. Yang – aye; and Mr. Hutchins – aye.

Documents and Exhibits Used During this Meeting

- Meeting minutes of October 20, 2022.

- Volunteer Application by Chelsea Reinhold.
- Volunteer Application by Minhua Liu.
- Volunteer Application by Mary Hurley.
- Volunteer Application by David Lurger.
- Volunteer Application by Bill Klauer.
- Volunteer Application by Stephen Trimble.