

**– BOUND BROOK CULTURAL ARTS COMMITTEE –  
A Committee of the Borough of Bound Brook**

**Meeting Minutes - Public Minutes  
Monday, May 15, 2023 @ 7:00pm**

**General Info:** Video Call In

BBCAC meeting takes place on the 3rd Monday of the month at 7:00 PM

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**Today's meeting was held virtually.**

**Call to Order:**

Reading of the Open Public Meetings Law Statement: "This meeting is being held in compliance with the Open Public Meeting Law in that the requirements of the law have been met with the posting of the meeting notice on the Municipal Bulletin Board, filed with the Borough Clerk and forwarded to The Courier News and The Star Ledger."

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**Roll Call:**

Bonnie Grube  Anna Shaffner  Curt Schmidt  Lesa Mellman

Council Liaison: Abel Gomez  Mary Swarbrick \_\_\_\_\_ Michael Avaglianon

Evelyn Estava  Maria Estrada \_\_\_\_\_ Robert Vogel \_\_\_\_\_ Thomas Guarraci \_\_\_\_\_

**1) Approval of April Minutes**

Motion to approve : Evelyn

Everyone in favor. : yes

**2) Bound Brook Mural**

Mural completion is scheduled to start on Tuesday May 16th. Abel volunteered to drive over to the site and make sure everything Professor Kim's team needs is there and available. At our meeting we reviewed the questions and concerns sent to us from the Professor and addressed each one. This included the access to water, power, parking, and even bathroom facilities.

Regarding payment, the committee will pay one person at the conclusion of the project. Evelyn will reach out to Professor Kim to see if that contact will be him or the College and have a W9

completed to facilitate that. Once we know who, Bonnie will send the invoice to Natasha for payment.

The mural project is scheduled for the following six days in May: 16, 18, 22, 24, 25, and 26. If you are in the vicinity of the tunnel on any of those days (between 10am and 6pm) please stop by and introduce yourself to the kids so they know who helped make this happen!

We will need to discuss how to commemorate this project. A sign with all the kid's names, project title, and date?

3) **RiverFest 2023 - September 23, 2023**

Bonnie has completed all the paperwork and just needs a co-signer. Lesa volunteered to co-sign and will await a time that is convenient with Bonnie to coordinate completion of the contract.

4) **BBCAC Members not appearing on Borough site**

Abel sent an email to Jasmine about this still not being completed correctly. Some members do appear, but still not all.

5) **Future Murals for Bound Brook**

Abel did a little research on the possibility of us purchasing some fiberglass structures (eg. Train) that we can commission some local artists to paint and then have displayed in the waiting room of the train station (that is being refurbished). He will be sending an email to the team with the website so we can see what is available and discuss at our next meeting.

6) **Other business**

**Gallery Space** project: The landlord of the building has decided to create the gallery space on his own and already has some art hanging in the space. We no longer need to assist in the management of this space. This project is now closed for BBCA

**Witness Stone** project: Anna forwarded the research provided to her by Mary of the possible burial sites and slave activity in Bound Brook, to members of the Witness Stone team. She has not yet heard back from them with next steps.

7) **Next Meeting Agenda Items:**

If you have a topic you want added to the agenda of our next meeting, please email Lesa at: Lesam105@msn.com, no later than 10 days prior to the next meeting.

Meeting called to end: Curt  
Seconded: Evelyn

Next Meeting: June 19, 2023; 7pm; Location: TBD