

Newton Cultural Council

1/8/24

Present: Chris Pitts, Robert Linsky, Cheryl Weber, Emily O'Neil, Jeffrey Davis, Sam Belisle, Clara Chan, Glenda Fishman, Livia Aber, Susan Friedman, Anne Marie Stein, Paula Gannon

Adjudication

Purpose of the meeting was to make decisions regarding funding amounts and final recipient list. Amount to distribute is \$53,798.

Discussions centered around methodology for making dollar allocations, individual cases for changing decisions, ranking and adhering to numerical scores, equity regarding funding amounts in relation to requested amounts.

Chris Pitts reworked the ranking and preliminary decision list. Decisions were postponed to an additional meeting on Friday, January 12, 1 pm.

Applicant Decision Letters

Paula sent out sample letters for what was sent to applicants last year. Susan Friedman suggested creating a separate enclosure regarding marketing to help people market their events. It was also suggested that people be asked to post their events a month ahead of time and required to post on the arts calendar. Susan will work on an attachment—she will draft something and distribute.

2024 Meeting Schedule

Meetings scheduled for the fourth Monday of every month.