



CITY OF DANBURY CULTURAL COMMISSION

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MINUTES OF OCTOBER 24, 2011 DANBURY CULTURAL COMMISSION

Present: B. DaSilva, H. Center, B. Feinson, G. Smith, G. Wencek, J. Cherry,
H. Bechard X M. Schwartz, X M. Burke

Minutes of the last meeting were accepted.

1. **Danbury High School**, Dr. Rizzo, Paul Reilly, requested \$8,300 for the third district wide Music and Arts Festival of work from every grade level of Danbury Public Schools to present the culmination of their classroom work with presentations, performances and art exhibits. Danbury Public schools will be unable to fund this project for the foreseeable future and are seeking support from PTOs, local businesses and cultural groups. As many as 3,200 to 3,500 people attend these presentations each year.

2. **Danbury Brass Band**, Alan Raph, conductor, requested \$575 for a post Halloween holiday performance of his 25 piece musical group. There will be readings, a renaissance group, singing and refreshments. The free event takes place Oct.29 from 6 to 10 pm at the Tarrywile Mansion.

3. **Indian Festival of Lights**, Dr. Patel, requested \$2,076 dollars for the event which takes place Nov. 5 at Rogers Park Middle School. It features dancers, music, and programs performed by and for all age groups and is open to the general public as well as the diverse Indian community. Tickets are \$15.

4. **Report on DCC sponsored events**: It was reported that the music programs, art exhibits and other events at the **Richter Arts Center** were very worthwhile as were the **Danbury Music Centre** concerts.

Action Taken: DHS Arts/Music Festival: H. Center moved we Grant \$1,000 G. Smith seconded the motion which was passed.

Indian Festival of Lights: H. Bechard moved we grant \$900, seconded by G. Wencek, motion passed. **Brass Band**: B. Feinson moved we grant \$270, Seconded by H. Center, motion passed.

Other: Plans are being made for the DCC Holiday event in December.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

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Coordinator

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