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DANBURY CULTURAL COMMISSION  
MEETING OF SEPT. 23, 2013

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

H. Bechard served as chairperson for meeting.

Minutes of August meeting were accepted with following correction:

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

**Danbury Music Centre**, Nancy Sudik requested \$19,000. She thanked us for our support from their founding in 1935. They provide free concerts to the Danbury community with talented area musicians, present a yearly Nutcracker Ballet and orchestra program and provide free tickets to Danbury schools. This year's Nutcracker performances will take place Dec. 13th with 2 shows on Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>.

**First Night Danbury**, Ted Killmer, Consulting Producer, requested \$4,000 for this year's New Years Eve event "Young at Heart" which will feature 4 generations of Greater Danbury performers. There will be a vaudeville show at the Palace, and a variety of performances all over the downtown area. A 5K run will precedes the festivities and will take place from 4 to 8 pm.

**Richter Assoc. for the Arts**, Betty Bontempi requested \$5,000. Thanking us for our past support, they noted that this has been a successful year in terms of attendance. However, expenses have increased with the high cost of maintaining and heating the Richter House, the payments to the Richter Park Authority and the increase of funding to continue maintaining the high quality of performers.

**Danbury Brass Band**, Alan Raph, requested \$600 for a pre-Halloween Concert at Tarrywile Mansion on Oct. 29. The concert is free and open to the public.

**Report on DCC sponsored events:** The Berkshire Big Band concert at Richter was very good and well attended as was the Taste of Danbury.

**Report from G. Wencek:** WCSU sent name of two interns. They do not have one for this semester. He will be working on the Oct. DCC website calendar.

**Actions Taken:**

**Danbury Music Centre:** Requested \$19,000.

B. Feinson moved we grant \$16,000, seconded by M. Schwartz, motion was passed.

**First Night:** requested \$4,000.

J.Cherry moved we grant \$4,000, G. Smith seconded, motion was passed.

**Richter Arts Assoc.:** requested \$5,000.

M.Schwartz moved we grant \$4,000, seconded by G.Wencek, motion was passed.

**Danbury Brass Band:** requested \$600.

G. Smith moved we grant \$300 seconded by M. Schwartz, motion was passed.

G. Wencek made a motion to adjourn, motion was passed.

Submitted by   
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