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## MEETING NOTICE

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This meeting will be conducted under S. 2506, An act relative to extending certain COVID-19 measures adopted during the state of emergency, signed on March 28, 2025, and further extended through June 30, 2027.

### **Poet Laureate Support Committee Meeting**

Monday May 18, 2026, at 6:30 PM

#### **Hybrid Meeting:**

• **In Person Location:** Cedar Street Studios (1st floor meeting space), 14 Cedar Street, Amesbury, MA 01913

OR

• **Join Virtually on Zoom:** Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88278321850?pwd=3wSLmCa2shp0EuvRw3bOiiBDXZU0eN.1>

Meeting ID: 882 7832 1850 Passcode: 555092

Call to Order: Bryan Riley

Roll Call / Attendance: Bryan Riley, Clare Dombrowski, Elizabeth Wolf, Anne Ferguson, Lisa Usani Phillips

1. Appoint someone to take notes: Lisa Usani Phillips
2. Review and approve minutes of previous meeting: Approved
3. Current financial status update:
  - Storywalk: Clare can write up an invoice and will send it to Bryan
  - Outstanding feature poet payments: Lisa emailed M.P. Carver; still need to contact R. Wollman
  - Tapestry of Voices, Garden of Verses are not being funded by PLSC or Whittier Home; Chris Bryant can apply directly to Amesbury Cultural Council for funding; Whittier Home said the award ceremony/reading can be held there
4. Recent and planned Poet Laureate activities update
  - Karaoke Fundraiser: Wednesday, July 15, 2026, 7-10 p.m. at Barewolf Brewery, Amesbury
    - Bryan secured DJ and is paying for it: DJ Jason Dowd
    - Scarlet Fire is closed that day; bar open

- Bailey did flyers; Bryan has them and will email them out, make copies for Vermettes, Barewolf
- Evening with the Poets: 8/12/2026 630-8pm, Cultural Center
  - Open to the public, town hall forum
  - Bryan sent email to CCTV inviting them to film it
- Flatbread Fundraiser: Tuesday November 10, 2026;
  - Flatbread contact said Poet Laureate can book an April fundraiser when we do the November 2026 fundraiser
- 2026-27 Open Mics: Wednesdays, 6:30 pm @Cultural Center:
  - 9/9/2026; 10/14/2026; 11/18/2026; 02/17/2027; 03/10/2027
  - Bryan will set up features for the open mics
  - Snacks to be determined; PLSC responsible for cleanup
- Next PLSC meeting will be on Zoom on June 8, 2026 @ 6:30 p.m.
- Agenda item for 6/8 meeting: Future PLSC meetings at Cultural Center
  - Bonnie Brady is the contact person for booking the CC
- Communications discussion:
  - Poet Laureate will send announcements/flyers for all events to the Poet Laureate email distribution list and to the Poet Laureate Support Committee email list (for printing up at the library).
  - PL event announcements will be posted on the PL Facebook page.
  - Pictures from the Poetry Month Storywalk (supported by PLSC) will be forwarded to Bryan to be posted on the PL Facebook page.

5. Public Comment

6. Matters not reasonably anticipated in advance of the meeting

Adjourned: 7:38 p.m.