

Harvard Charter Commission
Meeting Minutes
October 11, 2017
Volunteer Meeting Room

Members present: Cindy Russo (Vice-Chair), Sharon McCarthy, Rick Maiore, Stephanie Opalka, Ron Ostberg, Charles Redinger, Peter Warren. Members absent: Paul Cohen, George McKenna. Others present: John Osborn (*Harvard Press*), Jennifer Finch, Joe Hutchinson.

Cindy Russo called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes for September 27, 2017: Peter Warren moved to accept minutes as presented; seconded by Rick Maiore. Vote: unanimous to approve minutes.

Minutes for October 5, 2017: Charles Redinger moved to accept minutes as presented; seconded by Stephanie Opalka. Vote: unanimous to approve minutes.

Statement of Intent

Discussion and minor wording edits to Statement of Intent. Cindy Russo created a markup of the hard copy based on the discussion. Rick Maiore moved to accept the Statement of Intent, as amended; seconded by Stephanie Opalka. Vote: 5 in favor; 2 opposed (Peter and Charles).

Thank-You Notes

Discussion of thank-you notes to be sent to LWV Harvard and a letter to the editor of the *Harvard Press* drafted by Stephanie. Stephanie Opalka moved to thank the LWV Harvard, Tim Bragan, the *Press*, and interested town citizens for their contributions to improving the Charter; seconded by Charles Redinger. Vote: unanimous to send thank-you messages from the Commissioners.

Commission's Role

Discussion of role of Commission following submittal of the final Charter report. Cindy suggested asking Paul Cohen to clarify this role and call for a meeting before Thanksgiving to discuss ongoing responsibilities.

At 4:50 p.m. Charles Redinger moved to adjourn; seconded by Rick Maiore. Vote: unanimous to adjourn.

Sharon McCarthy, Temporary Recorder