Belmont Cultural Council
April 7, 2004 minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:40

In attendance: Trey Klein, Nan Rogers, Carlha Vickers, Dietlinde
Hamburger, Jennifer Smith, Joan Loria, Paticia Mihelich

Absent: Oz Barron, Janet Macy, Viva Fisher

The minutes from the March meeting were read, amended, and accepted as
amended.

Carlha Vickers discussed the BCC budget. A separate page for the
Belmont Gallery of Art was brought up and the group was advised that 5%
of the FY 2004 grant money was put aside for administration expenses.

Carlha Vickers and Patricia Mihelich, who attended the LCC meeting in
Worcester on March 6, gave an overview of their experience. What was
particularly stressed by the LCC was the need to inspire/foster
different types of grant applications. Roughly the same individuals
have submitted applications to the BCC year after year, although they
are not uniformly granted in consecutive years. The LCC suggested that
local groups focus on problems that exist in their areas and seek
grants that would address the problem(s) and energize the community to
seek resolutions.

Town Day on May 22nd and the viability of the BCC to host a table was
discussed. A section comprised of arts efforts in the town was
proposed. It was decided that the BCC would not participate this year
and would wait until 2005 to do so. At that time the Belmont Gallery of
Art would be fully operational and printed brochures regarding it and
other projects supported by the BCC would be available for
distribution.

Trey Klein's logo for the Belmont Gallery of Art was enthusiastically
admired and supported. Oz Barron has created a website for the gallery
that was distributed to BCC members and should prove to be an excellent
tool for advertising the exhibitions at the gallery. The brochure
seeking submissions to the first exhibition is at the printers. A
banner, its siting, and the availability of sandwich boards to
advertise the gallery was also discussed.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30

Submitted by Joan Loria