



**CELEBRATE MANSFIELD FESTIVAL COMMITTEE
MEETING
Wednesday, January 13, 2021 at 5:00 PM**

MINUTES

Attendance: Chair Emily Wicks, Sarah Dufresne, Amanda Hanzlik, Kyle Muncy, Ginny Walton
Staff: Denise Kegler, Cynthia van Zelm

1. Call to order

Chair Emily Wick called the meeting to order at 5:03 PM.

2. Introduce new Committee member – Amanda Hanzlik

Amanda Hanzlik introduced herself to the Committee.

3. Public comment

There was no public comment

4. Approve Minutes from September 9, 2020 and October 7, 2020

Ginny Walton made a motion to approve the minutes and Kyle Muncy seconded the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

5. Review the purpose / mission of the Celebrate Mansfield Festival

The Committee reviewed the purpose / mission of the Celebrate Mansfield Festival and discussed several changes to the text. Amanda Hanzlik made a motion to approve the new mission and Ms. Walton seconded the motion; the mission was approved unanimously.

Celebrate Mansfield Festival Mission: Host a festival that celebrates the best of Mansfield including art, music, entertainment, food, games, and activities, while promoting local businesses, organizations, Downtown Storrs, and the University of Connecticut.

6. Discuss Festival date and time

Denise Kegler shared that the Festival will be held on Saturday, September 25, 2021. She explained that in 2019 the time of the event changed, with Activity Booths open from 2:00 – 6:00 PM and a headlining concert running from 6:30 – 8:00 PM. **The Committee agreed to keep the new times for 2021.**

7. Brainstorm ideas for activities and entertainment

The Committee discussed some plans for the 2020 event that were not implemented due to health and safety restrictions including adding Craft Booths, a Kid's Corner with possible Circus Zone, and an increased number and type of street performers. **It was decided to move forward with these ideas for this year's event.**



8. Adjourn

Mr. Muncy made a motion to adjourn and Sarah Dufresne seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:01 PM.

Minutes prepared by Denise Kegler