

CULTURAL ROUNDTABLE

Tuesday, October 6, 2026 | 10:00am

Saugeen Room, Civic Centre In-Person | Virtual Link <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84145392388>

MEMBERS PRESENT

OTHERS PRESENT

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

DELEGATIONS:

DISCUSSIONS & DECISIONS

1. Adoption of August 5, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes
2. Business Arising from Minutes
3. Initiative Updates:
 - 3.1 Downtown Plan | Delivery Team
 - 3.2 Culture Days
 - 3.3 Welcoming Communities
 - 3.4 TIFF Film Circuit (Library)
4. Joint Cultural Roundtable with Minto & Wellington North:
 - 4.1 Fall Joint Meeting Hosted by Hanover on October 29, 2026
 - 4.2 Culture Bus Tour Recap
5. Driftscape App Analytics Review
 - 5.1 Scavenger Hunt Results
6. Roundtable Member Updates | New Business
7. Adjournment

CULTURAL ROUNDTABLE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Wednesday, August 5th, 2026 | 10:00am
Saugeen Room | Civic Centre

MEMBERS PRESENT Bev Morgan | Pat Butler | Stephen Ferguson | Susan Sakal | Kathi Maskell

OTHERS PRESENT April Marshall | Brandon Dobson | Lindsey McLean | Carolyn Caskanette

REGRETS Nil

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST: Nil

DELEGATIONS: Nil

DISCUSSIONS & DECISIONS

1. Adoption of June 3rd, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes

Moved by S. Ferguson | Seconded by S. Sakal

THAT the minutes of the June 3rd, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes be approved as printed and circulated. **CARRIED**

2. Business Arising from Minutes: Nil

3. Initiative Updates

3.1. Downtown Plan

Hanover's Downtown Plan has been completed and approved by council. Currently reviewing how best to structure the proposed Downtown Delivery Team with the leading recommendation being to incorporate into ETCDAC terms of reference. Currently reviewing funding opportunities to begin executing some design recommendations in 2027.

3.2. Music in the Square

Seeing lots of success with the entertainers this year. Events occur on the second and fourth Saturdays of June, July & August. New signage at Heritage Square have been installed to help advertise what is happening there. Opportunity to host an "Opera under the Stars" event in 2027 was discussed.

3.3. Culture Days

Happening September 18th – October 4th 2026. Events to include were discussed: Autumn Leaves Studio Tour & Saugeen Artist Studio Tour - October

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2nd, 3rd, 4th 10am-5pm; Scavenger Hunt on Driftscape with prizes; Mystery Genealogy Program at the Hanover Public Library; and a Youth Talent Show proseed at Elephant Thoughts.

3.4. Welcoming Communities | Everyone Belongs Project

L. McLean shared that Welcoming Communities Grey Bruce is partnering with municipalities, community organizations and local leaders to complement existing events by offering interactive activities that promote inclusion, respect and belonging. Rather than creating standalone events wherever possible, they are looking to build on the wonderful community gatherings that are already taking place across Grey and Bruce.

Everyone Belongs is an initiative of Welcoming Communities Grey Bruce that promotes inclusion, respect, and belonging for all. Through community engagement, education and awareness activities, they encourage individuals, organizations, businesses and municipalities to help create welcoming spaces where everyone feels valued and included. The audience is anyone who wants a sense of community, with more of a focus on those from the global majority, indigenous populations, equity-deserving groups and those who experience social exclusion. Five out of the ten events are running for the project duration from March 2026 until March 2027. For more information visit www.welcominggreybruce.ca/belong/. To sign the Everyone Belongs pledge, visit www.welcominggreybruce.ca/pledge/.

3.5. Joint Cultural Roundtable- With Hanover, Minto & Wellington North

Hanover will host the Fall Joint Meeting on October 29th, 2026 from 5:30-7:30pm at Elephant Thoughts. B. Morgan to run a water colour greeting card workshop as part of the meeting. Work is underway for the return of the Culture Bus Tours on October 3rd, 2026. There will be three buses, with one leaving from each community. Hanover Stops will include B. Morgan Studio & Hanover Fire Station.

4. TIFF Film Circuit Opportunity

The opportunity to bring the film circuit to Hanover was discussed. The Hanover Public Library has interest in building this into their programming. It was shared that Owen Sound sees great success with this program, running it once a month with three show times. Tickets cost roughly \$10-12 each and there is a licensing fee of 35% of ticket sales. TIFF sustainability fee is 7.5% of ticket sales making the costs of delivery manageable.

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5. Roundtable Member Updates | New Business

- 5.1.** S. Ferguson shared that HCP Summer Drama Camp saw 13 youth registered. Preparing for the Mystery of the Hidden Sea Chest production. The floor was levelled at HCP storage location and they're planning a Garage Sale on August 24th, 2026 from 2:00-4:00pm. Christmas Show 'Between the Lines' is in rehearsal for the November 27, 28th 29th, December 3rd, 4th and 5th show dates.
- 5.2.** C. Caskanette shared that the library is working on a 6-week series with Espe from Yoga Barn and planning for another Repair Café.
- 5.3.** S. Sakal noted discussions are underway to plan for Homecoming 2029 – 125th Anniversary. Volunteers needed to take lead if this is to come.
- 5.4.** B. Dobson shared that Summer Camps are at the midway point of the season.
- 5.5.** K. Maskell shared the door-to-door promotion of the Hanover Public Library, where board members visited two subdivisions in Hanover to build awareness for the library. She was pleased to meet many newcomers to Hanover.
- 5.6.** B. Morgan shared that the Saugeen Artist Guild are changing the format of their meetings to include a demonstration by a member. The Guild currently has 16 members.

6. Correspondence- Nil

7. Adjournment

Moved by K. Maskell

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 11:18am.

CARRIED

Next Meeting: October 7th, 2026