## SCITUATE SISTER CITY / CAPE VERDE, SANTA CATARINA DO FOGO MINUTES

Thursday, January 18, 2024 at 6:30pm at the Scituate Library

Attendance: Angela Dray, John Monteiro, Kelly Bower, Teresa Barnette (virtual), Antonieta Barros (virtual), Keith Becker (virtual)

Absent: Maria Andrade, Bill Lopes, Taylor Lawrence, and Hope Fernandes

The meeting was called to order at 6:41pm.

- 1. Accepted/Approved Minutes from November 18th meeting
- 2. Motion for the slate of existing officers to continue for another year was passed.
- 3. Update on the Sister City Project winter film festival at the Reel Harbor Theater
  - The Sister City Project applied for and received grant of \$4000 from Scituate Economic Development Committee to cover expenses.
  - Includes money for each committee to create banners for use in individual and joint events.
  - Planning for graphic designer to develop the banners with versatile messaging
  - Angela, John, and Antonieta previewed Contract with Vasco Pires from the Txan Production Company. Also saw The Volcano's Last Wish, and chose that because it is lighter and shorter. Contract may be tied to a future fundraiser.
  - Vasco Pires and potentially a musician will be present at the event
  - If film maker and director Guenny Pires is available, he could attend. May offer discounted rate to stay in the harbor.
  - Committees engaging with restaurants on the harbor and hoping to make the festival a larger event. Salt Society will do themed cocktails corresponding to the movies.
  - The Reel Theater has put up posters for each country to promote the film festival
  - Because the film is shorter, it will be preceded by a welcome and a tourist video on Fogo.
  - Donation box will be present and wine will be available for sale.
  - Raffle tickets for a Cape Verdean gift box worth \$50-\$100 will be sold.
  - Total revenues will be split among sister cities.

## 4. Project Plan:

• Angela has sent a link to the group and give rights to edit/view

Date of Next Meeting: Thursday, February 15, 2024 at 6:30pm at the Scituate Library

Meeting adjourned at 7:40pm.