1. Welcome / meeting is convened
   a. In attendance:

2. Alek report from Steering Team and Strategic Planning Task Force
   a. Alek to send out links for systems thinking resources
   b. Loralee - how do we staff something like this? 1Berkshire Collective has a staff member called the Creative Economy Specialist. Loralee will follow up with them
   c. Town Plans - check out Brattleboro town plan language on Arts & Culture
   d. Check out Creative Placemaking grants
      i. Alek to send out information to group to investigate what might be possible here; will connect with VAC to discuss
      ii. One of the big questions here is about whether they can be a conduit for funding

3. Complete preparations and planning for convening of potential new Board members
   a. Melanie Consadine - member of a cooperative with Nick
      i. Said Waterbury may be a good model for a creative community
   b. Could hold the meet & greet Saturday, February 11 - will propose to Anni (second choice is February 12)
   c. Will need to get invites out no later than Friday, February 27
      i. Alek will draft invite language and send around to team
         1. Then we will send over to Caitlin to check it out and get her thoughts
      ii. Loralee will send Alek her email she sent to give people a heads-up about meet & greet invitation

4. Homework / Next Steps
   a. Next meeting: go through Creative Economy study and determine what is most important to us
   b. Ask Anni to add to the spreadsheet any names and emails of people she’s interested in inviting to the meet & greet
   c. Reach out to Anni to discuss meeting between now and February 11