

**Wellesley Free Library
Board of Library Trustees
Meeting Minutes
Arnold Room
February 11, 2016
7:15 PM**

Present: Beth Sullivan Woods, chair; Marla Robinson, Vice chair; Ann-Mara Lanza, Secretary; Ann Howley, trustee; Jamie Jurgensen, Library Director; Elise MacLennan, Assistant Director; Helen Charbonneau, IT Director.

Absent: Maura Murphy, Diane Savage.

Also Present: Jack Morgan, Selectman.

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:20 PM.

CITIZEN COMMENT

None

ITEMS

Approval of Minutes

Marla moved (Ann seconded) to approve the Minutes of January 11, 2016. The motion was approved unanimously.

Marla moved (Ann seconded) to approve the Minutes of January 25, 2016. The motion was approved unanimously.

Fells Branch

Jamie presented the recommendations of Fells Committee.

- To use the building as an Early Learning Center targeting children age 0 to 6.
- Flexible space with flexible furnishings
- For adults, best sellers and browsing with space for holds pick up.
- Accessible juvenile collection
- Themes and programs offered on rotational basis
- Possible, STEM, seasonal, etc.
- Parenting programs
- Sponsorship of themes, programs by various child-centered organizations of center space.
- Internships
- Open more hours

Next step. Map out plan and sequential staging.

Annual Request from Friends for FY17 Funding

Elise recommended that the library ask the Friends for money for the usual list of museum passes plus second passes to 4 of the most popular passes (MFA, Science, Children's, Aquarium). It is the consensus of the Trustees is to ask for 2 each of the 4 most popular, drop The Discovery Museum and add Harvard Art Museums and The Decordova.

Wellesley Garden Club Meeting Room Request

The Wellesley Garden club will be holding its annual meeting this spring in the Wakelin Room. They will be hosting a speaker and are asking the Trustees' permission to sell author's book. It is the consensus of the Trustees to approve the request in recognition of the contributions that garden clubs make to the WFL by maintaining the outdoor flower pots throughout the year.

Gift Acceptance. Ann-Mara (Marla seconded) moved to accept the donation of the Hen and Lamb sculpture from the estate of the artist, Shay Rieger. The motion passed unanimously.

Alcohol amendment

The Trustees have requested a placeholder article on the Town Meeting warrant to amend the Town Bylaws to permit alcoholic beverages to be served within Town buildings.

The Trustees discussed strategy with Jack Morgan. Jack Morgan advised the Trustees to sound out the Selectmen and Advisory for support. As a next step, Beth will contact Tom Harrington, Town Counsel to discuss possible liability issues.

Approval of Olive Contract

Discussion deferred to next meeting.

Hills Technology Needs

Discussion deferred to next meeting.

Parade May 22

Discussion deferred to next meeting

New Business

None

REPORTS

None

Other

The Trustees expressed their gratitude for the longtime library support of the recently deceased Mrs. Valentina Cannell.

Motion to Enter Executive Session

Beth moved (Marla seconded) to enter into executive session for the purpose of discussing labor negotiations, with the intention of returning to open session at the close of the discussion only for the purpose of adjournment. The Trustees were polled individually and the motion was approved unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Ann moved (Marla seconded) to adjourn. The motion was approved unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 9:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

_____ Date: _____

Ann-Mara Lanza, Secretary, WFL Board of Trustees

submitted by HC 2/16/16

MR 3/2/16, approved by the Board of Trustees 3/7/16

LIST OF DOCUMENTS

1. Agenda
2. Minutes of the Meeting of January 11, 2016
3. Minutes of the Meeting of January 25, 2016
4. Friends of the Wellesley Free Libraries Annual Request for Funding FY17
5. Email for Joint Council of Wellesley Garden Clubs Requesting Permission to sell speaker's books.
6. Email from Melissa Fountain requestion a letter of gift acceptance for donation and Hen and Lamb Sculpture.
7. Articles for next Town Meeting
8. Olive Software – Proposal and contract for digitizing and hosting the Wellesley Townsman 1906-1989.
9. Letter from Wellesley Celebrations Committee concerning Annual Parade.
10. Fells Committee 2016 Recommendations.