

Concord Free Public Library
Library Committee Minutes
February 23, 2016

Present: Matt Boger, Kerry Cronin, Kitsy Rothermel, Heather Peachey, Bev Gauthier

Excused: Sandy Shen, Carl Vause, Mav Pardee

Guests: Sherry Litwack (Library Corporation), Ingrid Detweiler (League of Women Voters), Richard Jameson (Finance Committee)

1. Sherry gave a brief history of the purchase of 151 Main Street and said the Library Corporation is moving ahead with confidence in regards to its potential use. She suggested a joint meeting of the Library Corporation, the Friends of the CFPL, and the Library Committee to discuss the future plans. She spoke about the upcoming opening of the N.C. Wyeth exhibit at the Concord Museum. Three of the paintings are part of Special Collections and are being loaned to the museum for this exhibit. There is a reception planned for April 15, 2016 at the CFPL to celebrate the opening of this event.
2. The January 26, 2016 minutes were accepted with no changes.
3. The committee discussed the procedures for art exhibits at the Fowler branch. Exhibits are to begin in April. The process for choosing art is more informal than at the Main Library, and the process is evolving. There is no formal application process yet. The committee discussed the possibility of a Fowler Art Committee that will decide on the exhibits. The Library Committee moved to accept the Fowler Branch Art Exhibit Contract.
4. The committee discussed upcoming vacancies. Three committee members have terms ending in May: Heather Peachey, Kitsy Rothermel, and Carl Vause.
5. A joint meeting with the Friends and the Library Corporation was discussed. Possible dates include May 24, 25, 26th.
6. The committee discussed its unofficial goals and outcomes. They include adopting policies, creating procedures, supporting the long-range plan and the supporting the projects of the Library Corporation.
7. Highlights from Library Director's Report:
 - Theresa Maturevich is leaving for a position as Assistant Director at Winchester Public Library.

- Vince Nguyen will begin on March 5th as a new Library Assistant for the weekends at the Main Library.
- The Library Corporation voted to upgrade the lighting at the Main Library. The new lighting will be LED and will provide future cost savings on electricity.
- School vacation week was very busy at Fowler. 111 people attended several children's programs.
- The Main Library hosted a popular Chinese New Year celebration on February 20th.
- *Concord Reads: The Martian* by Andy Weir will take place throughout the month of March.

8. Documents Distributed at the meeting include:

- Meeting Agenda for February 23, 2016
- Financial report dated 01-Jul-2015 to 31-Jan-2016
- Library Director's Report dated February 23, 2016
- Draft of Library Committee Minutes, January 26, 2016
- Draft of Fowler Branch Art Exhibit Contract
- Draft of Fowler Branch Art Exhibition Openings
- Information for Artists Exhibiting Work at the Fowler Branch Library

Respectfully submitted by Heather Peachey