

**Brooks Memorial Library
Fine Arts Committee Meeting
May 6, 2015 8:30 AM**

**Present: Pam Becker; Judith Bellamy; Christine deVallet -- Staff: Jerry Carbone.
Absent: Helene Henry; Howard Burrows; Tracey Devlin; Prudence Baird.**

1. Call to order: Pam called the meeting to order at 8:35 AM.

2. Changes to the agenda: Christine added discussion on fine arts needs for the library space plan.

3. Public comment: None

4. Minutes of April 1: Judith asked for clarification regarding the panels being transferred to Insight Photography. She was unsure about the 4 sided kiosk that is now in the window. Christine advised that this kiosk is unstable and we would like to transfer that as well. Judith will discuss this with Teta at Insight.

5. Unfinished Business

- **Fine Arts Policy Review:** Approved by Trustees in April 14 meeting.
- **Recognition of committee member:** Simi can meet for lunch at 11:45, Monday, 5-11, at the Backside. Members of the committee will meet there.
- **Picture Book Art Inspired by Illuminated MSS:** Prudence reported that Eric Carle will send a contract for us to borrow the art for \$300. She will transport the material in December sometime back to the Library and return it. Jerry informed the committee that a First Wednesday speaker using the person who had worked on the exhibit, but who lives in Kansas City, would not be possible due the expense. Instead, Jerry will contact David Alloway of the St. John's bible to give a talk in January connecting that with the MSS exhibit. Prudence will also look into organizing the showing of a film of the Book of Kells in the meeting room during that month. This would be with Brattleboro Film Festival co-sponsorship.
- **Upcoming exhibits:** The final exhibit on the panels ends in May, and there will an exhibit using the mezzanine walls in June. Jerry will edit the application form removing the main room panels from the areas available for exhibiting.

6. New Business

- **Committee chair:** Pam notified the committee that trustee Howard Burrows will be the new chair of the committee.
- **Building and Grounds committee meetings:** Pam noted the schedule for the committee meetings, which will begin May 7 with a staff meeting to brainstorm ideas using the "Refresh, Replace, Renovate" topic for approaching library space. The trustees and FAC will also have the opportunity to offer ideas in a facilitated meeting by Vt. Dept. of Libraries consultant, Amy Howlett, on May 28, beginning at 7:30 AM (refreshments), and the meeting from 8 to 10. The Loud Collection books in the staff lounge were discussed some...that Loud funds could be used to properly exhibit and house these volumes in another part of the library, perhaps in a small meeting space, which may located in the former genealogy room.

7. Other: None

8. Adjournment: Pam made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:20AM. All voted to adjourn.

**NEXT MEETING: May 28, Facilitated Meeting with trustees an staff;
June 1, 8:30 AM**