

Gloucester Lyceum and Sawyer Free Library, Inc.
Annual Meeting of the Corporation
May 20, 2019 at 6:00 pm

Attendance:

Francis Aliberte	Jean Dugan	Christy Park
Rebecca Aliberte	Beth Fosberry	Leslie Pearlman
Maryanne Amero	Kecia German	Arley Pett
Anne-Marie Anderson	Neil Glickstein	Barry Pett
Christine Armstrong	Joseph Grella	James Pope
Saira Austin	Colleen Hogan-Lopez	Katherine Prum
Gregory Bover	Jennifer Holmgren	Tom Queeney
Tracy Bowen	Rosemary Howarth	Jeanne Rhineland
Barbara Braver	Barbara Kelley	David Rhineland
John Brennan	Carol Kelly	Catherine Ryan
Jason Brisbois	Lucille LePage	Gail Sarofeen
Jason Chamberlain	Priscilla Malboeuf	Marion Sibley
Kathryn Chamberlain	David McAveeny	Emily Smith
Dennis Corkery	Henry McCarl	Michael Stelluto
Frederick Cowan	Mary McCarl	Leanora Swekla
Melissa Cox	Mary Jane McGlennon	Robert Tobey
Deborah Cramer	Jane Mead	Denise Vadala
JoAnne Crawford	Jeremy Melvin	Peter Vadala
Jean Cunningham	Susan Oleksiw	Mary Weissblum
Robert Cunningham	Simon Paddock	Cynthia Williams

Agenda

- I. 6:15 Call to Order and Welcome - John Brennan, President
- II. Welcome on behalf of the City - Sefatia Romeo Theken, Mayor
- III. Approval of May 21, 2018 Meeting Minutes - Priscilla Malboeuf, Secretary
 - a. Approval of the minutes was moved and seconded. The minutes were approved.
- IV. Treasurer's Report - Joe Grella, Treasurer
 - a. Joe presented a profit and loss statement for FY18 (which ended June 30, 2018).
 - b. He explained that the Corporation will take on the expense of the building project.

- V. Election of the New Members of the Corporation - Fran Aliberte, Vice President
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| Tracy Davis | Kathy Eckles |
| Barbara Lambert | Beth Morris |
| Jim Morris | John N. Morris |
| Judith Nast | Nick Neyeloff |
| Michael O'Leary | Sandra Reinecke |
| Joann Riley | Jeffrey Shindell |
| Marsha Sloane | Heather Starzynski |
- a. Approval of the slate of Corporators was moved, seconded, and approved.
- VI. Election of members of the Board of Trustees - Fran Aliberte
- Anne-Marie Anderson Joann Riley Marsha Sloane
- a. Approval of the slate of members of the Board of Trustees was moved, seconded, and approved.
- VII. Election of the Officers - Fran Aliberte
- John Brennan, President
Mern Sibley, Vice President
Joe Grella, Treasurer
Priscilla Malboeuf, Secretary
- a. Approval of the slate of officers for the Board of Trustees was moved, seconded, and approved.
- VIII. Election of the Financial Review Committee - Fran Aliberte
- Tom Queeney Pat Thorpe Todd Shaffaval
- a. Approval of the slate of members of the Financial Review Committee was moved, seconded, and approved.
- IX. Mary M. Weissblum Volunteer Award - Deborah Kelsey
- Susan Oleksiw Christy Park
- a. Deborah thanked Susan and Christy for their tireless work with the Matz Gallery among their other contributions to the life of the Library.
- X. Recognition of Service - John Brennan
- a. Out-going Trustees:
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| Barbara Braver | Steve Dexter |
| Bill Fonvielle | Kecia German |
| Carol Healy | Wendy Quinones |
| Katlin Wagner | |

- i. John thanked each of the out-going Trustees for their many contributions to the Library.
 - b. John thanked Steve Dexter for his work on the Financial Review Committee.
 - c. John thanked out-going Building Committee Chair, Peter Feinstein for his work to bring the Library Building Program forward. Peter will remain on the Board.
 - d. He also thanked out-going Vice President, Fran Aliberte for serving in that role. Fran will continue to serve on the Board and as Chair of the Corporate Communications Committee.
 - e. John thanked the Library staff.
 - f. He finished by thanking the new SafeGuard Blue personnel for providing security, with a sense of community, to the life of the Library.

- XI. Building a Library, Building a Community - Amy Lannon, Director, Reading Public Library
 - a. Ms. Lannon described Reading Public Library's experience of renovating with the Mass. Board of Library Commissioner's (MBLC) grant. See attached hand-out.

- XII. Gloucester's Library Construction Project - Matt Oudens, Architect
 - a. Schedule: We are working on Concept Design at the beginning of a long process.
 - i. MBLC funding – there are several libraries ahead of us on the wait list. It will likely be about three years before we get funds.
 - ii. We can expect about one year dedicated to designing the space.
 - iii. We should have a completed building in 2025.
 - b. Recap of Process:
 - i. The design must meet the Library Building Program description submitted with the grant application.
 - c. Preferred Plan
 - i. The renovation design will add on to the existing building and preserve the shell of the Dale Avenue exterior.
 - ii. The interior design will incorporate better way-finding.
 - iii. There will be a new structure connecting the main library and the Saunders House.
 - iv. Existing landscaping will remain essentially unchanged, with some additional gardens.
 - d. Conceptual Interior Views
 - i. Matt Oudens presented the plans floor by floor and explained how the spaces fit the Library's program needs.
 - ii. All spaces will be designed to take advantage of natural light.
 - iii. Window shape will remain the same, but windows will be replaced with more efficient models.

- e. Conceptual Exterior Views
 - i. The design will include a new sloping, accessible entrance from Dale Avenue.
 - ii. We will keep the design of the Monell roof, but replace the materials to improve heating and cooling efficiency. The roof of the addition will hold solar panels.
- f. Cost Estimate
 - i. Cost estimates are based on construction likely to begin in 2023
 - 1. Renovation = ~\$23.7 million
 - 2. New building = ~\$23.9 million

XIII. Future of the Library - John Brennan

- a. Two years ago we received the MBLC grant.
- b. The initial proposed design was not well-received by the community. We listened and have invited community input through meetings and participation in a strategic plan.
- c. The Library Corporation needs to raise ~\$16 million in private funds to complete the Library Building plan. Municipal funds will not be used.
 - i. We have hired Library Strategies to conduct a Feasibility Study for our fundraising efforts.
- d. The final building design will hinge on fundraising success.

XIV. New Business - John Brennan

- a. John invited attendees to mingle and ask Library Trustees questions.

XV. 7:41 Adjournment - John Brennan. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Tracy Bowen