

Thomas Memorial Library Committee

Minutes of Meeting: Thursday, September 21, 2017 at 6:30 PM

In Attendance:

Gil Brennan, Sara Hirshon, Gwyneth Maguire, Becky Fernald, Julia Bassett Schwerin, Jason O'Brien, Debbie Peck
Kyle Neugebauer

Absent:

Agenda:

1. Call to Order: 6:35 PM
2. Approval of Minutes
Sara Hirshon motion / Debbie Peck second
Approved
3. Citizen's Opportunity for Discussion of Items Not on the Agenda
None
4. Reports
 - a. Library Director's Report
Reviewed the Report as presented, with some updates:
Work on the Children's Garden should be completed within the next week or two.
George Morse, TMLF, heard back from Jac Ouellette. Due to health issues, the sculpture is behind schedule. It should be completed and installed a week or two before Thanksgiving.
 - b. Committee Member Updates & Correspondence
None
5. Strategic Vision Discussion
 - a. Reviewed previous studies that had been done on TML during the renovation planning era
 - b. Discussed strategic plan samples from other libraries, research articles done on strategic planning in libraries, and some other resources - Harwood Turning Outward and Aspen Institute Action Plan
 - c. Kyle reported that he is still talking to others and gathering/going through information. There are a lot of options, but the best one for us has yet to emerge.
 - d. The Town is getting ready to undertake their own Comprehensive Plan. Part of that process is a detailed demographic survey. We should be able to access that data in early 2018. That will be of great help to us as we won't need to duplicate this effort.
 - e. It was expressed that the Committee would like more specific things that they can start doing. Kyle will put together a notebook with all the resources he's been going through for the Committee to review.
6. Request to change October meeting
 - a. Agreed to move it to October 26 at 6:30
7. Citizen's Opportunity for Discussion of Items Not on the Agenda
None
8. Confirmation of Next Meeting: Thursday, October 26, at 6:30

9. Adjournment: 7:40 PM