

Minutes of the Warner Free Lecture Meeting
Thursday, January 19, 2011
Old Library

Present: Tom Aciukewicz, Mary Maxwell, Brian Schimpf; Sheila Simollardes
Not present: Jane Andrew, Pat Jennings

WFL Chairman Tom called the meeting to order at 6.15 p.m.

The minutes from the November meeting were reviewed by the board.
Sheila moved to approve the minutes as read, and Tom & Mary seconded, passing the motion.

We went through the agenda.

Old Business

Sign update:

We will try to use our cultural arts grants to pay for the sign. ---TAZ TBD

Next event: StorySLAM 2: ready to go on January 20 at new library.

Publicity: Brian put out publicity with theater friends.

We need to do the following:

Email blast goes out on 1/18

Refreshments: All set -cider, cookies and brownies

Prizes: We'll have 3 prizes (gift certificates), \$25 each.

Cable taping - Robert Hernandez confirmed with Brian that he will do the taping.

Brian will have scoring forms for judges

Dates for two upcoming events in 2012:

Sue Jackson/Harvard Art lecture: The Art of Guilding and Frame Restoration

Volunteers Hall-February 10, 2012 - cost is ~\$150

Plans: Planning meeting will be on Feb 8 in Old Library...TAZ will do agenda and set up meeting

Publicity should be done by 1/25 (press write-up and sign on The Common). Sheila will get info from Sue and pass to Brian...then he will get press release together.

Will do refreshment planning on 2/8/12 meeting

Pat has already begun the invoicing process for paying Sue.

Local Photographer Peter Christoff: A photographic journey up Mount Kilimanjaro
Volunteers Hall-March 16, 2012 – cost is \$150

New Business

Sheila and Pat are working on the invoicing for paying Peter. Sheila is checking to see if Peter can reach out to the Camera Club of Central New England to get more folks to attend the Kilimanjaro event...didn't hear anything yet.

Mary will look into scheduling another planning meeting for March 7.

Upcoming talk work:

Magic Lantern series. Pat followed up and found good potential to bring this to Harvard. The cost is around \$2000. Pat thinks we could split this with other groups like the arts council (perhaps we would have to apply for a grant), the Historical society, or the Camera Club of New England. We could show it in either Old Library, but we think maybe Historical Society in Still River might be a better venue. Question...what show will we see??

Brian mentioned an idea about organizing a historical role-playing event with "famous people" from Harvard. Brian is looking at a few histories to perhaps gauge if there's potential here. We'd want to do this later in Spring to separate it from StorySLAM.

Next StorySLAM could be in October 2012 & could be Halloween theme-based. We'll follow up at next planning meeting.

Mary Holland and Naturally Curious – TAZ to follow-up to see how much it costs and how to schedule.

Maybe we could co-sponsor a radio play with this theme. We'll continue discussing in the future.

Jane Andrew is resigning from the board. Tom needs to help her resign and then we need to get Brian officially signed into the board. We need to nominate another person to join. No names are out there yet.

Taz needs to look up the terms of each member as a refresher for who is on the board for how long.

Taz would like to invite Tim Clark to come and offer some ideas for future lectures. We'd like to try to develop a lecture that would draw in more youth next year.

Bob Hubert's photography project might lead to a lecture.

Adjourned the meeting at 7 pm.

Next Meetings:
February 8 & March 7