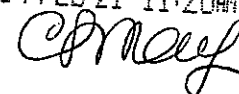


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**MINUTES****Marion Craine Room Gallery Exhibition ("MCRGE") Committee Meeting
Wednesday, January 15, 2014****Call to Order:**

A quorum was not established. The meeting was called to order recognizing that no votes would be taken by Eileen Godin at 10:05 AM on Wednesday, January 15, 2014. The meeting was in the Snow Library Trustees Room.

Meeting Attendance:

Committee members present: Florence Adams, Megan Fates, and Eileen Godin.

Library Staff members present: Snow Library Director Tavi Prugno, Principal-Clerk, Tom Michels

Others present: Barbara Natale, Board of Trustee representative

Committee Members absent: Kathy Meyers, Marcy Haffner, Betsy Wagner, and Andree Yager.

Public Comment:

None

Minutes:

There were no objections to the minutes for the meeting on December 11, 2013, but there being no quorum, a vote to accept them could not take place

Financial Report:

Director Tavi Prugno reported that the balance in the MCRGE Fund is currently \$2,305.62, and that there has been no activity since August. He did inquire about a bill received from First Student, Inc. for transportation for Orleans Elementary School ("OES") students to the Dennis Museum of Fine Arts. He was told that Kathy Meyers would know about that.

Library Director Report:

Director Prugno related that the reconstruction project on the floor had been successful and as they knew, the Marion Craine Room Gallery was already hosting it January.

The Director further related that he was working with Kathy Meyers relative to Nauset Regional High School's scheduled exhibit in April. All was going well.

General Meeting:

Immediate attention was directed to the schedule. Gigi Burboeck has been penciled in for next June but it was pointed out that she still had to get sampling of her work to the committee before the date is finalized. She has shown here before and a reminder was made that the majority of the new show should be work not shown here before.

There was a brief discussion about what the committee looks for when reviewing content for a show and while it was agreed that censorship was not desired, that keeping in mind that the Marion Craine Gallery was in a public library was essential, and that young children are among the patrons was equally important.

The need for a "take down" time for the Dickerson Exhibit was necessary before February 1st and this was being handled. The reviews for this show have been generally good.

Barbara Natale, Board of Trustee representative, then brought you the two issues that had been raised at the last meeting by the Heller/ Haffner email. First, she related that the Board felt that sales were already taking place in a discrete manner and they saw nothing objectionable with the way things were. The Board felt that a ban on sales had never been in place so that it need not act at this time. The Committee Members suggested that artists have lists available with their works on it and that these could be available to those viewing the show. By providing lists, stickers with name of work next to art, and artists business card, sales could be accomplished. The actual exchange of money in the Gallery is discouraged.

Second, Trustee Natale addressed the request to have Juried Shows. She related that the Trustees had discussed this request but believed that these shows did not comply with the "free access" parts of Policy and that when attempted in the past have caused problems. The Trustees reiterated that the Craine Gallery should not host Juried Shows. It is conceivable that the Orleans Community Partnership ("OCP"), as part of Orleans' Cultural Center designation, could have a juried show and after art was selected some of that art might be shown in the Craine Gallery.

It was suggested that a copy of all of the Craine Gallery policies be sent to all the members and that these be reviewed in the near future. It was pointed out that this is a perfect year to do this since most of the schedule has been completed and because of the changes in the makeup of the committee. Specifically, the committee felt that new better guidelines as to how the Craine Gallery committee should be made up, what sort of term limits there should be or whether the current term limits were satisfactory. It was noted that more clarification was needed as to how things worked with the Craine Gallery. It was pointed

out that currently there are supposed to be 6 to 12 members making up The Craine Gallery Committee.

Items for Future Agendas:

The members of the committee are to review all policies sent to them and these will be discussed at a subsequent meeting.

The need for a Mission Statement was discussed. Because some of the members would not be making the February meeting it was decided that a discussion about a Mission Statement should take place at the March meeting.

A process for enhancing the Committee will also be discussed at the March meeting.

-Next meeting will be February 19, 2014. **The meeting was adjourned at 11:06 pm.**

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Michels, Principal Clerk, Snow Library

Approved by the Marion Craine Room Gallery Committee on February 19, 2014
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