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**Marion Craine Room Gallery Exhibition ("MCRGE") Committee Meeting
Wednesday, June 18, 2014****Call to Order:**

A quorum being established, the meeting was called to order at 10:04am, Wednesday, June 18, 2014 by Andree Yager, Vice Chairman. The meeting was in the Snow Library Trustees Room.

Meeting Attendance:

Committee members present: Megan Fates, Kathy Meyers, Marcy Haffner, Ellen Mulroney, Betsy Wagner, and Andree Yager.

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

Others present: Barbara Natale, Board of Trustees representative

Committee Members absent: Florence Adams and Eileen Godin.

Public Comment:

None

Minutes:

Minutes for the Committee Meeting dated April 16, 2014 were approved after minor changes were made.

Financial Report:

Director Tavi Prugno reported that the balance in the MCG Fund is currently \$2,140.62. There was no activity in this account during the month.

General Meeting Including Director's Report and Old Business:

- Director Tavi Prugno reported that the septic system was currently being worked on and it is expected to be completed within a week.
- At this time we do not expect any closure of the Library or any disruption at all. The only problem will be the lack of parking spaces.
- The current show, Imagine Orleans, has generally received many favorable comments. While it has been a bit extra work, having this in the Library seems to have been well worth it. It was recognized that the audience for the show is different here than it was at the Firehouse.

- A draft of the design for the nametags for the exhibitor appreciation party in September will be forwarded to all members.
- Director Prugno reported that Cheryl Bryan has been elected to the Board of Trustees. She had been the Director of the Brewster Ladies Library for a number of years and also had been briefly with the Eastham Library.
- The Board of Trustees held their elections last week and the following is a list of the officers and/or responsibilities:
Sandy Rhodes – Chairman
Sue Lederhouse – Vice Chairman
Tim Traub – Treasurer
Barbara O'Connor – Corresponding Secretary
Barbara Natale – Marion Craine Gallery Committee liaison.
- The next part of the meeting involved the review of the various policies concerning the Marion Craine Gallery Committee. A number of small changes were reviewed. The only major change was the period of time between when an artist can exhibit. Under the new policy after an artist exhibits in the Marion Craine Gallery they would have to wait three years before they can exhibit again. Under the old policy the waiting period was two years.
- All the policies were approved by the Committee to be sent on to the Board of Trustees for their approval. The Committee felt that the working relationship with the Trustees in the Library had improved. Everyone was pleased that the members of the Marion Craine Gallery Committee would be going to Trustee meetings on a rotating basis.
- Gale Wade, an artist who was attending the meeting then was called on to present her desire for a show. The exhibit would include herself using pastels, Peggy Furness using oil and Kelly Knowd using watercolors. There was some discussion as to the waiting. Since Peggy Furness had shown within the last 3 years but it was pointed out that she had applied to exhibit before the rules change. Given that the earliest schedule time available was September in 2016 this no longer was a problem. It was pointed out that they have to go through the application process and that seems fine. Gale thanked the Committee for its time.
- The Committee was informed that Ruthie Harizinger, a photographer wanted to schedule an exhibit. She will be coming to the next meeting to present her photos.
- A general discussion ensued concerning the need for more publicity. Kathy Meyers will be working with Andrea Reed at the Orleans Community Partnership to make sure that our events are on the community bulletin board. It was desired to find out more about Snow Library's ability to email and the latest on the various public relations programs of the Snow Library which includes their Facebook page..
- Several other artists were discussed including Joyce McConnell, Gigi Burboeck and Patsy Tidwell. Applications were in process and a disk of their works was being provided.

Items for Future Agenda:

- The Committee would like to discuss public relations and publicity further.
- Final plans for the Exhibitors Party will be presented in the future.
- New officers for the Marion Craine Gallery Committee will be elected at the next meeting.

Next meeting will be July 16, 2014. **The meeting was adjourned at 10:54 AM.**

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Michels, Principal Clerk, Snow Library

Handouts: The most recent schedule was distributed.

Approved by the Marion Craine Room Gallery Committee on July 16, 2014.
