

Minutes of the Warner Free Lecture Trust
Harvard, MA
September 10, 2019

Members present: Lisa Foley, Shannon Molloy, Jeff Boudreau, Sheila Simollardes, Jennifer Combs (arrived 6:30)

Members absent: Pat Jennings

Others present: none

Location: Hildreth House

Meeting called to order at 6:09 pm

Minutes: approved unanimously as amended

Publicity: ad published in *Press*; Lisa printing schedule cards with upcoming season events. Jeff created Eventbrite account to use for LW screening. Board to think about optimal standard publicity process and discuss/vote at a future meeting. Publicity position is open for this season; Lisa will perform publicity function for September and October.

Upcoming season:

- **Craig Harris** (Jeff), September 20, 7pm. "Woodstock: a 50th Anniversary Celebration." Ready for teaser details on FB, NDH. Jeff will send Lisa Craig's press kit and Lisa will post. Discussed logistics and hospitality. Harris will bring books to sell; Lisa will let Mary Wilson know.
- **Greater Worcester Opera Society** (Pat): October 18, 7:30pm. "The Music of Leonard Bernstein." Will discuss logistics at next meeting.
- **Little Women** (Shannon): January 10, 2020, 7pm. FIT anticipates confirming date in late Oct or early November. Deposit will be \$50 and contract will be signed at that time. 2 tickets per email address to be allowed on Eventbrite. Further ticketing and other logistics to be discussed at a future meeting; Shannon will lead and coordinate. Motion made not to seek cosponsors for this event; seconded and passed unanimously.
- **Dark Tide** (Sheila): February 21, 7pm. Stephen Puleo. Sheila following up with Mary Wilson to let her know Silver Unicorn will bring and sell books.
- **In Our Own Voice** (Lisa): March 27, 7:30pm. Two presenters from the National Alliance on Mental Illness MA.

Open Meeting Law: as an elected board, we are not permitted to conduct business or deliberate over email. Informational messages to the group are permissible; other emails should be sent only to Lisa as the chair.

Other Business:

- Jennifer brought forward two speaker ideas for upcoming season consideration: Michelle Stacy (media labs) and Gray Baldwin (garden ornaments). Sheila shared ideas for Liam Callanan (author, Paris by the Book) and Barry van Dusen (watercolor artist). Lisa has had interest from Dave Piehl (pianist) and Richard Smith (Thoreau).
- Jeff requested future agenda item to review wording of mission statement on town website's WFL page.
- Cloud: discussed creating a centralized location for board business: bylaws, minutes, treasury, best practices, etc.

Next meeting: October 7, Hildreth House, 6-7:30pm (note longer meeting interval).

Adjourned: 7:40pm

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