

Warner Free Lecture Trustees Meeting

Tuesday, January 4, 2022

Via Zoom Meeting pursuant to Governor Baker's orders

Trustees Present: Lisa Foley (Chair), Pat Jennings (retiring Treasurer), Sheila Simollardes (Events), Steve Peisch (Publicity), Billy Salter (Treasurer), Alison Thornton (Secretary)

Meeting called to order at 6:05pm.

Review of Minutes of Prior Meeting:

Sheila moved to accept the minutes as written. Steve seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Discuss Upcoming Events:

January Event

"Where You'll Find Me" on Jan 14 by Ty Gagne. Billy has a check for \$250 and will mail payment on completion of presentation. Publicity has been posted on Facebook, Nextdoor Harvard and through email blast. Carlene Phillips is working on an interview piece with Ty for an article in this week's Press.

So far there are 20 Eventbrite sign ups. Lisa will send a Zoom link directly to WFL Trustees. Lisa will connect with Ty to convey the time to show up and coordinate details on Zoom. The Silver Unicorn has some copies for Ty's book and will order on-request additional copies.

February Event

Sally Ride presentation is scheduled for February 18. Pat is in touch with Sheryl Faye. Sheryl has decreased her price from \$300 to \$250 and is ready for a Zoom program. There may not be a press article on, but we will submit details for the events section, with a request to print it twice.

Discuss ideas for next season/Action Items

- Sheila suggested we consider Ted Reinstein "for Black History month: "Beyond Brooklyn: The Unsung Heroes Who Helped Break Baseball's Color Barrier".
- Pat will talk to the Historical Society members to come up with a program and continue our collaboration and potential co-sponsorship.
- Billy suggested speaking with Paul Richards on movie set design.
- Steve will follow up on indigenous cultures ideas with both Kiliii Yuyan and a local Native American and will also explore music and dance ideas .
- Billy suggested Christine Jerome, a writer/editor who wrote, "An Adirondack Passage: The Cruise of the Canoe Sairy Gamp."

Action Items:

- Sheila is going to talk to Scott Hoffman, Bromfield Principal about future use of the Cronin Auditorium should we have an event larger than 100 people.
- Trustees will write up summaries of their proposal ideas and email them to Lisa for presentation at the next meeting.
- Lisa will compile the ideas into a Word doc. She will attach it to the agenda for the next meeting for all to review. She will also include all previous ideas for presenters who have not yet been selected.

Other business

Lisa announced that she will be resigning at the end of this term, May 2022. Lisa will send her official resignation to Town Hall so that the vacancy can be put on the ballot. As a reminder, Pat will be ending her term at the end of May 2022 as well.

The Trustees discussed Lisa's replacement as Chair and it was decided that Alison will take over as Chair with Steve as support/Co-Chair.

Alison will ask Linda Dwight about the possibility of using her (Alison's) existing school Zoom account for future Zoom presentations. Alternatively, we can purchase a monthly subscription to Zoom for \$15/month.

Lisa will send out a reminder to those who need to update their Conflict of Interest training. Lisa reminded us that under Open Meeting law any questions should be emailed only to the Chair who will address them.

Sheila is going to check in with Mary Wilson to determine Friday's availability at Volunteer's Hall and the status of the sound system.

Next meeting: The next meeting will be **Tuesday, Feb 8th @ 6:00pm via Zoom.**

Plans for upcoming meetings:

Feb: Discuss ideas for future meetings.

March: Vote on ideas

April: Finalize ideas and dates

May: Announce next year's slate of presentations.

Pat moved to adjourn the meeting. Sheila seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 7:00pm

Respectfully submitted,
Alison Thornton (Secretary)