

TOWN OF HARVARD
OLD LIBRARY ACCESSIBILITY COMMITTEE

Draft Minutes of May 21, 2018 Meeting
Hildreth House
13 Ayer Road, Harvard, MA

Attendees: Chris Cutler, Pete Jackson, Wendy Cote-Magan, Mark Mikitarian, Ken Swanton, Lucy Wallace

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 PM

The minutes of the May 7 meeting were approved unanimously (Pete moved, Chris seconded)

The Committee discussed the plans for the front door and its lighting, in response to questions that came up at the recent meeting with the Harvard Historical Commission (HHC). Wendy conveyed some conversations she had with Abacus architects, and the committee made several decisions. The top portion of each of the two doors would be glass, but the two wooden panels on the bottom of each door should be horizontal as in the original drawing of the old library's door, not vertical. The sidelights on the left and right of the doors would have glass above, but should have wood below. The glass panels above the doors should have a decorate design, such as the fan light design in the drawing of the original old library doorway. Instead of a hanging pendant, there should be recessed lighting, as a hanging pendant would too many light fixtures in addition to the two sconces on the front of the building. The Committee did not like Abacus' proposed fixture for the sconces, and decided to ask them to recommend several others to choose from.

Wendy will communicate these decisions to Abacus and request revised doorway drawings and sconce options be sent to the committee before its next meeting, which is scheduled for Wednesday May 30 at 7:00 PM. After these items are resolved they will be sent to HHC in advance of their June 6 hearing. The Committee decided to not request that the architect attend this hearing as only one visit to HHC was in the contract with the Architect.

The meeting adjourned at 7:59 PM

Submitted by Ken Swanton