

Minutes of the Warner Free Lecture Meeting
Monday, September 11, 2017
Hildreth House

Present: Pat Jennings, Lisa Foley, Tom Aciukewicz, Sheila Simollardes, Tim Clark, Shannon Molloy

Not present: n/a

The meeting was called to order at 6:07 p.m.

We reviewed the minutes of the May 2017 meeting. Pat moved to approve the minutes as amended; vote to approve was unanimous.

Current Season

Sept 22 - Tiny Houses (7:30 Volunteers Hall) Speaker has set up Facebook event. Taz will post link on our page as well as get materials to Press & send email blast. He is also following up an idea to get the Press interested in doing a tie-in story on a tiny house in town. Speaker Tracey Powell of simplytiny.com is not requesting a stipend.

Oct 20 - Falling Water - Tim has booked Robert Silman, engineer and retired principal at Robert Silman Associates, for the talk on the restoration of the Frank Lloyd Wright building Falling Water.

Frank Lloyd Wright's organic structure "Fallingwater" was designed in 1935 for the Kaufman family of Mill Run, Pennsylvania; it was also chosen by the A.I.A. for representing "the best all-time work of American architecture" in 1991.

Jan - Available 12, 19, 26

Possibilities - Women in Science (Tim), Annie Peck (Shannon), Chicken Whispering (Taz?)

Feb 9 - Love Letters (Sheila) Just in time for Valentine's Day! Features actors portraying sweethearts as they exchanged correspondence during the Civil War era. NB, this period program may be co-sponsored by the Harvard Historical Society.

March 23 - Indian Hill (Pat)- on Amy Beach - American woman composer and pianist

No space at Volunteers Hall for April or May. Could use Town Hall for April.

2018-19 Season Ideas

1. Michael Tougas (Pat) - writes books about nature, has book coming out in May 2018
2. Women in Science (Tim)

Ford Funds

- Ford funds were deposited by town, but not as requested by Lisa.
- Town added: 11k to expendable, 26k into nonexpendable. Current split: 28k expendable, 36k nonexpendable.
- Proposal would be to return some of the expendable funds to the nonexpendable account in an effort to protect Warner for the future.
- Further discussion and decision on agenda for next meeting.

Next meeting Oct 2 6pm location TBD.

Meeting adjourned 7:12pm