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Marion Craine Gallery Committee Meeting  
**Minutes**  
Tuesday, January 17, 2023

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Chair Mary-Ellen Ackerman at 4:30 in the Marion Craine Gallery of the Snow Library.

**Meeting Attendance:** Chair Mary-Ellen Ackerman; Jean Ann Bostwick; Tom Genereux, Exhibit Coordinator; Dianne Gregory; Lydia Hopkins; David Mills; Tavi Prugno, Library Director.

**Absent:** Shawn Larsen

**Artist Jennifer Stratton Artwork Presentation:**

Ms. Stratton presented the acrylic and oil artwork for her show, "All Around the World, 1971" which included a talk regarding her childhood, worldwide traveling experiences, as well as her mother's writings about the trip. Committee member David Mills asked members for a **MOTION** to vote on having her artwork displayed in the gallery in the month of November, which was made by Lydia Hopkins and seconded by Ms. Bostwick. None were opposed.

**Public Comment:** None. No public comment.

**Approval of the Minutes from the December 20, 2022 Meeting:**

A **MOTION** was made by Jean Ann Bostwick to approve the minutes of the December 20, 2022 Marion Craine Gallery Committee meeting, which was seconded by David Mills. All were in favor, with none opposed.

**Financial Report:** Mr. Prugno reported that the Marion Craine Gallery started with a balance of \$2,317.71 and no December expenditures nor deposits. The YTD expenditures are \$662.72 and YTD deposits came in at \$275. The balance in the gallery account is \$1,643.99.

**Library Director's Report:**

Mr. Prugno reported that the custodian vacancy was filled, and Richard Alwart started on January 3rd.

Due to the children's One Town, One Book event on Tuesday, April 18th from 3:30 - 5:30pm the gallery will not be available for the Craine Gallery Meeting. Alternative date options include Tuesday, 4/11 at 4:30pm, as well as Tuesday, 4/25 at 4:30pm.

Mr. Prugno included information on the Marion Craine Gallery policies in the packet, due to a need to clarify policy questions regarding acceptable artwork framing and hanging that came up at the last meeting.

**Review of the Gallery Schedule by the exhibit Coordinator:**

Tom Genereux reported that there is a gallery opening for the month of June. The committee members discussed the schedule and clarified that David Mills would coordinate showings in November. Committee members discussed the artist who requested a showing in August, and decided that due to the medium of paper that he used, the work would need to be framed before it could be safely displayed.

**Old Business:**

The committee members discussed showing artist Joel Gray's work, and decided to ask him to return at another time, when his work is framed and he has more pieces.

**New Business:**

Ms. Ackerman reminded the committee that Bill Wibel's reception is on Saturday from 11-1pm.

The members expressed concern that the Exhibits Policies has not been updated since 2017. Mr. Genereux reminded the members that any changes would need to be brought before the trustees. Mr. Prugno reminded them that all policies get reviewed every few years, as per the rules in the trustees manual. He would bring any changes the committee members want to make before the Board of Trustees. The trustees will decide when policies will be reviewed.

Mr. Prugno offered to bring the committee members' term limits dates to the next meeting.

Members voted to change the April meeting date to the 25th. Dianne Gregory made a **MOTION** to change the date, and none were opposed.

**Adjournment:**

Ms. Ackerman asked for a **MOTION** to adjourn at 5:30pm, which was made by Ms. Hopkins and seconded by Mr. Mills. All were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,  
Darcy Herrington, Board Secretary