

**DRAFT - Minutes of the Haskell Free Library & Opera House
Board of Trustees
Wednesday, February 18, 2015**

Present: Claire Roberts, Frances Bonenfant, Tom Adams, Ross Murray, Patricia Hunt, Nancy Rumery, Lynn Leimer, Carol Power, Sylvie Larivee, Matthew Farfan, Marcel and Diane Laflamme

A reception was held prior to the meeting for Claire, who is leaving after nine years on the board. Matthew gave a toast, Claire made a speech thanking the staff and trustees, and everyone enjoyed Diane's desserts.

1. Call to Order: 6:43 p.m.

2. January minutes: Moved and seconded to accept the minutes as presented. All in favor.

3. Opera House Report

- a) Ron and Stacey Nicholetti have been hired to oversee the cleaning of the Opera House. They will also take care of painting the bathrooms and replacing door handles, as discussed.
- b) Donations received for Sandra Chaplin-Roy amount to \$775 and are still coming in.
- c) Phil Gosselin thermostat instructions will be in the spring.
- d) Tom will forward the names of the new executive to Lynn following the annual meeting to finalize grant application.

4. Library Report

- a) The mystery of the low-battery signal that has been plaguing us has been solved; it wasn't the one we've been fussing over but another one we didn't know about in the basement. Huzzah!
- b) Sprinkler repairs: \$3916 cost of initial call and repairs to sprinkler system, with another \$2996 to come.
- c) Fundraising: Tom reports that \$5000 is expected to come from Community National Claire offers to continue getting signatures for petitions in the year ahead.
- d) Email issue: Nancy has set up a generic email from the website, which Diane Couture will check daily and forward to the relevant party.

5. Financial Report

The bill for the initial sprinkler repair will be on the February report. At her own suggestion, Sylvie will see if there is money from the Foundation to pay for it.

Motion: Moved and seconded to accept the January report as presented.

6. Old Business

- a) Alarm system: Covered in library report
- b) OH cleaning position: As above
- c) Mosaic floor: Nancy has made contact with Claire Beaulieu
- d) Donation from MP: Invoice sent; awaiting response

7. New Business

- a) Melanie Noel meeting next month. Matthew requests to move the meeting to 6:30 p.m. To be determined.
- b) Anne-Marie Buschell will be in attendance in March as a replacement for Claire on the board.

Adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Next meeting Wednesday, March 18 6:30 p.m. (time to be confirmed)

Ross Murray, Secretary