

**FRANKLIN LIBRARY BUILDING COMMITTEE**  
**MINUTES OF MEETING**  
**January 31, 2017**

A meeting of the Library Building Committee was held on Tuesday, January 31, 2017 at the temporary Franklin Public Library location at 25 Kenwood Circle, Franklin, Massachusetts.

**Committee Members Present:** Chair Judith Pfeffer, Sandra Brandfonbrener, Monique Doyle, Christopher Feeley, Matthew Kelly, Felicia Oti, James Roche.

**Also in attendance:** Michael D'Angelo, Director of Franklin Public Facilities; Shane Nolan, Daedalus Projects Incorporated; Drayton Fair, LLB Architects; Brian Valentine, LLB Architects; Meaghan Kennedy, LLB Architects; Scott Mason, Donnegan Systems.

**Committee Members Absent:** Thomas Mercer, Joseph Mullen, Nancy Rappa.

*Notation: Meeting minutes were taken by Chair Pfeffer and typed by Judith Lizardi.*

**CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Pfeffer called the meeting to order at 5:10 PM.

**GENERAL BUSINESS:**

Large plans of the second and first floor of the library were displayed. It was decided to review each room with shelving and end panel designs, proceed until all rooms were done, and then vote on whole process.

**DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

► **Reading Room** - decision to go with wood end panels with the crown molding at top in cherry wood.

► **Adult Room** - much discussion as to the end panel designs. Committee members voiced concerns with the more reasonable end panels' durability and should be of quality for this library. Decision not to utilize any laminate end panels in any room with shelving. Decision made to install the wood with glass insert panels in maple at the end of the shelving facing toward the original library building; all other end panels in this space to be plain maple wood. The Adult Room on the other side of the stairway would also have the maple with the glass inserts; this room has the wall of windows.

► **Teen Room** - the designs created by Ms. Kennedy of LLB in the colors which match the room; colors were chosen with the proviso that the colored sections be of durable material. Mr. Mason of Donnegan to return to Construction Committee with this information.

► **Children's Room** - the three designs created by Ms. Kennedy showing eye glasses, a kite, and a portrait of Ben Franklin will be used as well as a new end panel design in the Ben Franklin realm. There will be four specific design end panels which will be interspersed on these shelving stacks. Ms. Kennedy to get design to Mr. Mason.

**MOTION to Approve** end panel decisions with the proviso that the inserts in the Teen Room designs are of suitable durable material and will last. **No discussion. VOTE: Yes-7, No-0, Absent-3.**

**MOTION to Allow** Construction Committee Chair authorization to adjust the cost within already determined dollar amount not to exceed \$25,000.00 to complete the purchase without the need for an additional Construction Committee meeting on end panels. **No discussion. VOTE: Yes-7, No-0, Absent-3.**

► There was discussion as to the cost of the shelving and the end panel designs. With the decision just made on end panel choices, the initial estimate has increased by a minimum of \$20,000.00+/- . Mr. Mason noted that his company would need a signed purchase order to proceed and that there would be sample end panels made for the Committee approval prior to final end panel production.

► Mr. Nolan led the discussion as to costs noting that the Town was aware that the initial numbers for furniture were insufficient to complete the building. The initial scope of the project had changed to more work and materials being utilized in the older portions of the building. With the presentation to the Friends of Franklin Library to be made on February 2, 2017, the hope is that the Friends will step up and hopefully fund several of the projects. There was discussion relative to the bricks for the patio; none of the Construction Committee present has been approached to purchase a brick. Committee members stated that all the benches on the patio were sold; many construction members had been looking to purchase a bench.

► Mr. Fair discussed the purchase order for Creative Office Pavilion ("COP") which had been approved previously. There was concern from the Chair as to costs of some items and items which were part of contracts which were extremely costly. The order will proceed. Both the desk for the children's room as well as the reference desk in the amounts of \$17,800.00 and \$30,400.00, respectively, have been deleted from the contracts. A conference room table was also deleted from the contract. Noted by Mr. D'Angelo is that the Senior Center furniture in storage will be taken out of storage on February 10, 2017. At that point the conference table belonging to the Senior Center as well as the former library table will be measured to see if it will work in the new conference room of the Senior Center. If the Senior Center needs to utilize the former library table, the library still has one of the original reading room tables which can be used as the conference room table.

#### **OTHER:**

##### **► *Next Meeting***

There was discussion as to the date of the Construction Building Committee meeting scheduled for Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>. Due to scheduling conflicts with committee members, **the next meeting was changed back to Tuesday, February 7, 2017, at 5:00 PM**, at 25 Kenwood Circle, the temporary location of the Franklin Public Library.

**ADJOURNMENT: MOTION to Adjourn. VOTE: Yes-7, No-0, Absent-3.** Meeting adjourned at 6:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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Judith Lizardi  
Recording Secretary