

Brooks Memorial Library

Finance Committee

Monday July 3, 2023 4:45 PM (EST)

MINUTES

- 1) Call to Order 4:45
- 2) Agenda/Changes or additions
- 3) Approval of Minutes of June 5, 2023 ([link](#))
- 4) Public Comment
- 5) Continuing Business

- Loud fund and collection

Notices have been posted in the Commons and the Reformer.

An NYC auction house has expressed interest in an autograph book that did not make the auction list. Starr will bring to appraisers when she visits NYC later this year. At next board meeting Ann will present list of items that historical societies and Middlebury wants (with provenance)

Indigenous property issues around feather cloak still need to be researched.

Starr is going to look into pre-buying ad spots for remaining two notices that are required by statute.

Ann and Starr are looking into ways to compensate Laura Paris for her extraordinary effort, which was indispensable to the success of the inventorying.

- Endowment Budget

Jenny plans to help Anna Monders with some end of fiscal year accounting. John will join to get a first look at the Quickbooks system.

- 6) New Business

- Town Budget

Group discussed possibility of requesting town funding for a new full-time Assistant Librarian position—either a paraprofessional with experience or an MLS. Starr had previously tasked staff with documentation of the increase in demands for their time but it could be useful to hire a third-party study of some kind.

- 7) Adjourn 5:49