VA Center for the Book  
Coordinating Committee Meeting  
August 1, 2019  
Minutes

Attending: Bonnie, Sarah, Janet, Lotta, Yolanda, Addeane, Garrett, Kevin

Committee Reports

Education. Discussion focused on the new feedback form written by Education Committee members. Several suggestions and revisions were made. The goal is an electronic survey feedback form, which Sarah will post online. After all classes, participants will receive an email directing them to the site. The result will be a spreadsheet created automatically. The survey information will go to the chair of the Education Committee, the instructor and Garrett, with aggregate data occasionally given to the Coordinating Committee.

Membership. Approximately one third of members have renewed. A reminder email will soon be sent to those who have not renewed.

Events

Wayzgoose (Sat, Aug 24, 1:00-5:00pm). Richard (letterpress), Josef (“beetle”), Yolanda (nonadhesive binding), and Janet (Coptic binding) have volunteered to give demos. In addition, three book artists will exhibit their work and talk with visitors about it: members Lyall Harris, Amy Arnold, and Kerri Cushman, who teaches at Longwood University. There will be a roundtable with the three artists (3:30-4:30pm), led by Molly Schwartzburg from the UVA Special Collections library. The focus of the roundtable will be “When Is It Art? When Is It Craft?”. The day will wrap up with a reception (4:30-5:15).

Each artist will exhibit 3-5 books, which are due on August 10; Yolanda will help curate the exhibit. Bonnie will send the artists an email with a caveat explaining that the VCB cannot be responsible for the safety of the exhibited books (specific language to come from Kevin. Several members will staff the exhibit during Wayzgoose.

First Fridays. There was discussion about extending the exhibit to Sept 6 for participation in First Friday, with a final decision that the exhibit would be extended. Then there was a preliminary discussion of participating in First Fridays in the future (except in Jan and Feb). This topic will be discussed in more detail in future meetings.

Charlottesville Design Week (Oct 8-12). At this point, no design week events have been scheduled at the VBC. Lucas will consult with Garrett and present details of the planning at a future meeting.

“Bird Talk” Update. Lana has created a tutorial for participants to use in binding their books. It is now posted on the VCB website.

“Uncharted” Member Project. August 5 is the deadline for joining the project by sending an email including a sketch or description to Garrett. Present count of members who have joined is in the mid-20s. Kristin has created a model of a possible folded enclosure for the project maps.
Auction. The VCB has a reservation with the Jefferson School for the large second-floor space. Soon, the auction website will be available to work on.

Frank Riccio Residency. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

Saturday Coverage. This will be discussed at the next meeting.

Next Meeting: Wed, Sept 11, 5:00-6:30pm.