



**Art Committee Special Meeting Minutes  
October 4, 2018**

**Present:** Susan Blumberg-Kason, Chair; Kristin McDaniel, Trustee;  
Johanna Delaney; Margaret Carsello Chiappetta; Karen Kleckner Keefe, Executive Director

**Absent:** Vicky Bush Joseph; Cheryl Postrozny Eden; Kathleen Wilson

**Also Present:** Julie Liesse, Board President

Call to order at 12 p.m.

Trustee Liesse shared her appreciation for the hard work and commitment demonstrated by the members of the Art Committee.

She confirmed that the Board had approved a \$1,000 transfer to the Library's Art Fund.

She also told the Art Committee that committee chair Susan Blumberg-Kason had shared, in an advisory capacity, the committee's interest in purchasing the Zhou Brothers piece and that Board members expressed their appreciation for the artistic quality of the proposed piece and the diversity it would add to the Library's art collection.

Susan Blumberg-Kason recapped the last special meeting of the Art Committee and the visit that several members had to the Zhou B Art Space.

She reminded the committee that the Zhou Brothers are illustrating a picture book about their childhood and career scheduled for publication in 2020.

Margaret Carsello Chiappetta told the committee that she appreciated that the piece under consideration was from the Zhou Brothers' most recent body of work. She also felt that the price being offered to the Library was quite reasonable in the context of the international art market.

The committee discussed how the artwork added diversity of medium and artist composition to the Library's art collection. The committee also discussed how the collaboration that the brothers exhibit in their process is a hot topic in contemporary art.

The committee discussed hanging the piece at the top of the stairs on the second floor, facing the windows on the back of the elevator column.

Executive Director Keefe mentioned that the electricians the Library use have recommended replacing the lighting on that wall. That project could be coordinated with the art installation.

Kristin McDaniel expressed her appreciation for the evening's rigor of discussion and recommended that similar discussions take place prior to the vote for the next acquisition.

Johanna Delaney recommended that that Art Committee approve the purchase of ZBC-233 from the Zhou Brothers for \$20,000 and up to \$1,000 for installation expenses. Kristin McDaniel seconded. On a roll call vote, the motion was unanimously approved.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:45 p.m.

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