MINUTES AND REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATION

DATE: November 8, 2016

PLACE: Worcester Public Library
       3 Salem Square
       Worcester MA 01608

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Finkel, Chair; Bejune; Comes
STAFF PRESENT: Dickinson; Stone; Rubert-Silva

1. Call to order.
   Finkel called the meeting to order at 1:00 PM

2. MOU with Worcester Public Schools/OCOL
   The Committee met to discuss the MOU with the Worcester Public Schools re the OCOL partnership. Dickinson clarified that until now, OCOL has been funded with donor contributions. WPL provides staff, and programs while the school department provides space. The MOU clarifies the arrangements with the school department. The Committee asked Dickinson to clarify with the City Solicitor the dates encompassed by the agreement, i.e. when do the five years stipulated begin and end; is it a legally binding document or just a process manual; who signs it, the Board President and Head Librarian and the Superintendent and the School Committee?

   Bejune reported that MA General Laws 322 passed in 1982 refers to compliance with contracts. Sections 33 and 34 were added but not to 322 but rather to Chapter 78. Those sections cover libraries and provide protective measures for staff. The Committee agreed to table the issue since more information is need. This may require a by-law change.

4. Bejune moved to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 2:08 PM.