

# **TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY OF THE CITY OF BOSTON**

**Meeting of the Trustees Fellowes Athenaeum Trust Selection Committee  
Thursday, August 7, 2014 / 1:00 p.m.  
Dudley Branch Library, 65 Warren Street, Roxbury, MA 02119**

## **Minutes**

A meeting of the Trustees Fellowes Athenaeum Trust Selection Committee was held on Thursday, August 7, 2014 at the Dudley Branch Library, 65 Warren Street, Roxbury, MA 02119 at 1:00 p.m.

Present at the meeting were: Trustees Fellowes Athenaeum Trust Selection Committee Chair and Trustee Evelyn Arana-Ortiz, Selection Committee Members: Sarah-Ann Shaw and Che Madyum, Friends of the Dudley Branch Library; and Christine Schonhart, Boston Public Library Manager of Branch Libraries. Also attending were Candelaria Silva-Collins, Project Manager, and Deborah Kirrane, Boston Public Library Clerk of the Board.

Trustees Fellowes Athenaeum Trust Selection Committee ("Committee") Chair Evelyn Arana-Ortiz presided.

Ms. Arana-Ortiz reviewed and the Committee approved the meeting agenda.

Ms. Arana-Ortiz addressed the first item of business, and, on a motion made and duly seconded, the Minutes of the Trustees Fellowes Athenaeum Trust Advisory Committee meeting held on May 22, 2013 were approved and subsequently posted on the Boston Public Library's web site at [www.bpl.org](http://www.bpl.org).

Ms. Madyum indicated that she wanted be sure the Dudley Branch Library received the monies from the Trust that they were owed. Ms. Schonhart answered that the Dudley Branch would receive the funds and that it would be discussed at a later point in the meeting.

Ms. Arana-Ortiz asked that Project Manager Ms. Candelaria Silva-Collins present the grants so the Committee may discuss same. Ms. Silva-Collins indicated that there were 17 proposals in FY14 and, in FY15, 26. Ms. Silva-Collins reported on, and the Committee discussed, each proposal and approved the following

The Chair called on Project Manager Ms. Candelaria Silva-Collins to review the FY15 Grant Submissions. Ms. Silva-Collins reported on and the Committee discussed each proposal and approved the following 15 proposals:

1. **ArtsEmerson: The World on Stage**, a program led by three teaching artists where participants will read, analyze and learn the literary and creative process of performances from Arts/Emerson 2014/2015.
2. **Tessil Collins: My Roxbury – Still Optimistic**, a video production highlighting development and perceptions of Roxbury in 2003, compared to those in 2014.
3. **The Dimock Center: Next Step Resource Fair**. A Community Educational and Occupational Career Development event featuring employers and educational and job training providers.

4. Dudley Square Main Streets: Business-English Second Language Course for immigrant business owners and their employees.
5. Irene Smalls: How to Write a Children's Book.
6. Bonita Jones: Mindfulness Based Stress Reduction. An 8-week course using breathing, gentle yoga stretching, and mindful eating to reduce stress.
7. Joel Mackall: Basic Computer Instruction. Mr. Mackall will offer sessions in English and Spanish.
8. Makanda Project: Jazz Music Programming. A popular two evening jazz program featuring a performance by Makanda Project, youth component, and art-making activities from sparcl! (MassArt artmobile.)
9. Math Power: Math Instruction. A 13-week professional development course for adults working with students from pre-K to 8<sup>th</sup> grade.
10. Naomi Lomba-Gomes: Memoir Writing Project. An 8-week program in which participants will examine other memoirs and readings, culminating in journal of students' writings.
11. Rufus Faulk, Sr.: Art and Storytelling. Interactive storytelling, live painting illustrations, and guest storytellers.
12. Sparkle James: Concept to Catwalk. A business ownership and event production course for teen girls, focusing on fashion design incorporating, sewing, website development, marketing, and culminating in a fashion show.
13. Valerie Stephens and Ekua Holmes: We Will Not Forget. Geared toward seniors, participants will be taught storytelling techniques and will create memory boxes.
14. Carlos Vargas: Piano Program. Basic piano playing and music theory instruction.
15. WAITT House: Enriched Language Arts and Math Classes. Basic skills of reading, writing, and math are taught with extensive use of library resources.

Ms. Arana-Ortiz will report on the Committee proceedings at the September 16, 2014 Board of Trustees Meeting, and Ms. Silva-Collins plans to attend same.

There being no further business or public comment, the meeting adjourned at 3:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Deborah A. Kirrane  
*Clerk of the Board*