

Minutes

Laird Fine Arts Building Renovation Advisory Committee

DATE

September 17, 2026

TIME

2:00 pm

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER BY

Chair Donna Rozar

IN ATTENDANCE

Wood County Board Supervisor Chair Donna Rozar, Assistant Chancellor for UWSP at Marshfield Dr. Anthony Andrews, Marshfield City Planner James Lieven, UWSP Director of Economic Development Jenny Resch, Wood County Director of Facilities Reuben Van Tassel, and Project Manager Tom Zink. Dean of the UWSP College of Fine Arts and Communication Dr. Stuart Benkert, Wood County Director of Zoning and Economic Development Jason Grueneberg, and Theater Manager for Marshfield and Wausau Kris Berge were present online via Zoom. Others present included Wood County Administrative Coordinator Lance Pliml (via Zoom) and Staff Support Matt Polum.

INTRODUCTION

Chair Rozar called the meeting to order at 2:03 pm. Quorum was declared at 2:04 pm.

MEETING DISCUSSION

Corrections were noted for the August 19th and September 9th meetings. Van Tassel motioned to approve the corrected minutes and was seconded by Resch. The minutes were approved unanimously.

The Committee discussed the applicability of the prospective design firm's qualifications and delivery methods for the Laird Fine Arts Building renovation project.

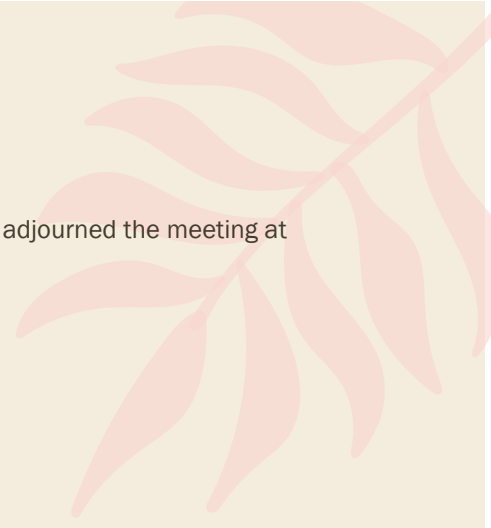
Dr. Andrews motioned to select Sommerville as the design firm and was seconded by Resch. Sommerville was selected unanimously.

NEXT STEPS

Gruenberg, Van Tassel, and Lieven will contact Sommerville to offer them the project. If Sommerville accepts the project, Grueneberg will inform the other firms and thank them for their time.

Should Sommerville accept the project, Grueneberg, Van Tassel, and Lieven will also get a contract draft from them for the next meeting. They will send the contract to City of Marshfield and Wood County attorneys for review.

Polum will send the corrected and approved minutes from previous meetings to the Wood County Clerk, Trent Miner.



NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, October 7 at 2pm. Chair Rozar adjourned the meeting at 2:40 pm.

