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BOM approved Kris Gillis' application for membership, with Dick Hague speaking on his merits as his sponsor.

Secretary Hunt reported that 2015-2016 and 2016-2017 bound volumes of papers/minutes are underway. As soon as the files are prepped and delivered to the printer, the secretary will share the delivery date.

Ted Silberstein added thoughts to the previous conversation about donating the mantel currently located on the third floor of the Clubhouse and discussion ensued. The BOM agreed that we'd ask the Cincinnati Art Museum for a letter saying they'd put the piece on display (i.e., not put it in storage), with a tag designating Cincinnati Literary Club gift. Upon receipt of an acceptable letter from the CAM, BOM will vote on donating the mantel to the museum.

President Murphy opened a discussion re: coasters to help protect the finish on furniture throughout the club. After discussion about whether to create a special LC coaster, it was decided that gifts of coasters from members would be welcome and put to good use.

The Minutes of the September BOM meeting were approved.

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Meeting of September 12, 2017

Present: Murphy, Franz, Strauss, Bennett, Dehner, Cuni, Kathman, Hunt, Silberstein

Approved the following individuals/positions:

Conservator- Mark S. Schlachter  
Historian- Robert C. Vitz  
Librarian- Richard R. Kesterman  
Archivist- Eugene Rutz  
Parliamentarian- Anthony G. Covatta  
Counsel- Joseph J. Dehner

Tom Bennett updated the BOM that with membership dues adjustments in 2017, LC is on firm financial ground for budgeted expenses/revenue. Detail will be shared with BOM for possible future changes in re: to accounting group and banking relationship in order to save money/gains services .

Joe Dehner addressed the tax-exempt filing. JD will file appeal on behalf of LC, based on new legislation. Discussion as to best witnesses in order to show that LC provides elements of education association.

Discussion re: process for considering applications of former members. Decision to be made on case-by-case basis as opposed to drafting rules for constitution which might not address all merits and/or conditions.

Discussion re: charitable giving. LC policy is that individuals are free to contribute and mention will be made to alert members at year-ends specifically, and generally when considering a will.

The Minutes of the June BOM meeting are to be distributed at October BOM meeting. Also approved presentation of June 2017 minutes (2 papers) and September 2017 minutes (1 paper, 1 budget) together in October as Secretary will be out of town at the first meeting in September.