

MINUTES of MEETING.

BOARD of TRUSTEES.

Philadelphia, January 13th, 1905

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Fairmount Park Art Association was held at the office of the Secretary, 320 South Broad Street at half past three o'clock to-day.

Present: -Mr. Dana, Mr. Fox, Mr. Cohen, Dr. MacAlister, Mr. Justice, Mr. Weygandt, Mr. Hetherington, Mr. Morris, Mr. Miller In the absence of the President Mr. Dana was called to the Chair.

Communications explaining absence were received from Mr. Converse, Mr. Seeler and Mr. Steinmetz.

Communications acknowledging receipt of notice of re-election to the Board of Trustees were received from Mr. Cohen and Mr. Beck.

Mr. Cohen, for the Committee on Monumental Memorial presented by way of report from that Committee the correspondence with Mr. Bartlett regarding the use of the McClellan saddle in the statue of Gen'l McClellan for the Memorial. Mr. Cohen also submitted the correspondence with John M. Gest, Esq. counsel for the Trustee, regarding the status of Mr. Bartlett, who had broken the terms of his contract, and against whom and his surety company suit has already been entered by the Trustee. (for copies of this correspondence see Committees' file under S)

The Secretary presented the minutes of the Annual Meeting which were adopted and approved.

The election of officers for the ensuing year being in order, Mr. Cohen nominated the following ticket. There being no other nominations the Secretary was instructed to cast one ballot which was done and the gentlemen were declared elected.-

President:- John H. Converse,

Vice-President:- (vacancy)

Additional Vice-Presidents:- Charles C. Harrison LL.D.
Charles E. Dana
Edgar V. Seeler

Treasurer:- James W. Paul, Jr.

Secretary:- Leslie W. Miller.

On motion of Mr. Cohen, duly seconded, James M. Beck was re-appointed Counsellor of the Association for the ensuing year.

The Secretary reported by presenting a list of new members enrolled since the last meeting, including the name of Mr. A. N. Chandler, who, in accordance with a ruling made by the President at the last meeting, desired that his contribution be made a part not of the Permanent, but of the General, fund.

MINUTES.

Meeting of the BOARD of TRUSTEES.

Philadelphia Friday February 10, 1905

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees was held at the office of the Secretary, 320 South Broad Street at half past three o'clock to-day.

Present:-Mr.Dana,Mr.Cohen,Mr.Weygandt,Mr.Seeler,Mr.Miller.
Mr.A.N.Chandler was also present,by invitation. In the absence of the President,Mr.Dana occupied the Chair.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The following communications were received:-

- a) from Mr.Converse and Mr.Justice,explaining absence.
- b) from Mr.Seeler,accepting his election as Vice-President.
- c) from Mr.Beck,accepting his appointment as Counselor.
- d) from Mr.Beck (1-24-05) requesting this Association to arrange for the dedication exercises of the Drexel statue.

On motion of Mr.Seeler,seconded by Mr.Weygandt it was

RESOLVED-that a Committee of Three be appointed to arrange for the ceremonies of presentation of the Drexel statue,and to confer with Mr.Drexel's family regarding the time. (The Chair subsequently appointed on this Committee Messrs. Jas. MacAlister (Chairman),Jas.W.Paul,Jr.,Alexander VanRensselaer, Jos.A.Steinmetz,L.W.Miller,Wm.W.Justice,Charles J.Cohen. The increase in numbers to be submitted to the March meeting of the Board for approval.)

- e) from Mr.Cohen (1-16-05) submitting a letter and photograph from Mr.Henry K.Bush-Brown offering to this Association a bronze equestrian statue by Mr.Henry K.Brown,entitled "Comanche Breaking a Wild Horse" for \$30,000.

On motion of Mr.Cohen,duly seconded it was

RESOLVED-that Mr.Brown's letter,offering the statue by Mr.Henry K.Brown,entitled "Comanche Breaking a Wild Horse"to this Association for \$30,000, be referred to the Committee on Works of Art to report at a subsequent meeting of this Board.

Mr.Chandler expressed the opinion that the income of the Permanent Fund,and that receipts from Life Members should become available for general purposes,and on motion of Mr.Cohen, seconded by Mr.Weygandt it was

RESOLVED-that a Committee on Membership be appointed of which Mr.Chandler shall be Chairman.

Following the adoption of this resolution Mr.Chandler was invited to make recommendations for the membership of his Committee from the Association at large.

Mr.Cohen submitted a letter from Mr.Bartlett (1-4-05) assuring

*Mr. Chandler notified
2/17/55 by letter*

him that the McClellan saddle was represented in the statue of General McClellan for the Monumental Memorial, on which he is engaged.

Mr. Cohen submitted a report from the Treasurer, showing a total of \$132,157.90 in the various funds of the Association, (for the Report in full see letter file under P. (James W. Paul, Jr.)) which was accepted and filed.

The Secretary called attention to the offer of Mrs. Charles H. Howell to present to the Park, through this Association, some suitable memorial of the late Col. Howell, and, on motion of Mr. Cohen, the matter was referred to the Committee on Works of Art, to report at a subsequent meeting of this Board.

The meeting was then adjourned.

L. A. Miller

Secretary.

MINUTES.

Meeting of the BOARD of TRUSTEES.

Philadelphia, Friday, March 10, 1905

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Fairmount Park Art Association was held at the office of the Secretary, 320 So. Broad St. at half past three o'clock to-day.

Present:--Mr. Dana, Mr. Cohen, Mr. Justice, Mr. Morris, Mr. Steinmetz, Mr. Crawford, Mr. Miller. In the absence of the President Mr. Dana was called to the Chair.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved, and the action of the Chairman in appointing a Committee of seven members to arrange for the dedication exercises for the Drexel statue, instead of one of three as originally authorized, was approved.

The following communications were received:--

- a. from Messrs. Weygandt and Fox, explaining absence.
- b. from Dr. MacAlister and Messrs. Paul, Cohen and Steinmetz accepting appointments to serve on the Committee to arrange for the dedication exercises of the Drexel statue.

Mr. Cohen, as Secretary, presented by way of report from the Committee on Works of Art a copy of the Minutes of a meeting of the Committee held on Monday February 27 at 11-30 A.M. en route to New York to inspect the model of the Baldwin Statue by Herbert Adams. (for the Report in full see Committees file, under W.) The report contained the following recommendations which were acted upon by the Board in order. The report itself was, on motion accepted.

1. that a letter be sent to the President and Board of Directors of the Bank of North America asking if they would be interested in contributing towards the Robert Morris Memorial.

The Secretary reported that he had anticipated the action of this Board and had written such a letter and sent it to Mr. Converse as President to be signed and forwarded, and assumed it had already had Mr. Converse's attention.

On motion of Mr. Morris, duly seconded, this action was approved.

2. that in the judgment of the Committee there are no funds available at the present time for the purchase of the "Comanche breaking a Wild Horse" offered to the Association by Mr. Henry K. Bush-Brown for \$30,000.

This recommendation of the Committee was, on motion, duly approved.

and 4/29/05

Mr. Cohen, as Secretary, presented by way of ^{further} report from the Committee on Works of Art, a copy of the Minutes of a meeting of that Committee held on Monday, February 27 at the studio of Mr. Herbert Adams in New York City at 3 o'clock P.M. (for the report in full, see Committees file under W.) The report was accepted, its recommendation that the full-size model of the statue of Matthias W. Baldwin as inspected at the meeting be accepted was approved, and the following was adopted in pursuance of the recommendation of the Committee embodied in the report:-

RESOLVED-that Mr. Adams and Mr. Platt, his architect, be requested to submit a new design for the pedestal and setting for the Baldwin statue, returning, as far as will be consistent with the change in material, to the general lines and treatment of the one shown on the model submitted in the competition. It is especially desired that the astragal be restored and that the bed-moulding be enriched by the addition of an egg-and-dart, also that the steps be given a slight nosing.

The Chair reported a suggestion of President Converse that a statue of a Cowboy be erected in the Park, and on Motion of Mr. Morris, seconded by Mr. Crawford, the suggestion was referred to the Committee on Works of Art for consideration.

Mr. Cohen called attention to the notices of Bartlett's McClellan statue that had appeared in the newspapers and explained his own part in the discussion. He asked for an expression of opinion on the part of the Board in order that any further correspondence with Mr. Bartlett might represent its views. After full discussion by all the members present it was the sense of the meeting that the action of Mr. Cohen was cordially approved, and that it was eminently desirable that he should continue to urge upon Mr. Bartlett the importance of completing his model as speedily as possible, and that he should be especially impressed with a sense of the embarrassing position in which this Board is placed by his delay.

Mr. Crawford called attention to the progress which has recently been made in connection with the Parkway as well as to some of the dangers that the project seems likely to encounter, and expressed the opinion that this Association, as one of the agencies that seems likely to contribute most to the embellishment of this improvement should have a Committee whose duty it should be to keep itself well informed regarding the progress of the movement and be ready to render any possible service for which occasion should arise.

On motion of Mr. Crawford, seconded by Mr. Steinmetz, the matter was referred to the Committee on Works of Art for careful consideration.

The meeting was then adjourned,

L. Miller

Secretary.

*Baldwin
statue*

Cowboy

*Bartlett's
McClellan*

*Parkway
Project*

MINUTES of MEETING.

BOARD of TRUSTEES.

April 14, 1905

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Fairmount Park Art Association was held at the office of the Secretary, 320 South Broad St., Philadelphia, at half past three o'clock to-day.

Present: -Mr. Converse (in the Chair) Mr. Fox, Mr. Weygandt, Mr. Dana, Mr. Warren, Dr. MacAlister, Mr. Morris, Mr. Crawford, Mr. Miller.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

A communication explaining absence was received from Mr. Steinmetz
A communication was also received from Mr. Cohen (4/12/05)

explaining absence and submitting, by way of Report from the Committee on Works of Art, a copy of the Minutes of the meeting of that Committee held March 31, at which Mr. Adams' and Mr. Platt's new design for the pedestal for the Baldwin statue, in accordance with the resolution adopted by this Board at its last meeting, was approved) (for the Report in full-see Committees File, under W.)

Mr. Cohen's letter also enclosed a copy of his letter to Mr. Paul Bartlett of March 14 and Mr. Bartlett's cablegram of April 6 stating that part of the horse for the equestrian statue of Gen'l McClellan was being shipped.

The Secretary stated that with the approval of Vice-President Dana he had authorized Messrs. Bureau Brothers to cast and place in position a 5" seal of this Association, with date of presentation, on 18 works presented by this Association to Park and City, at the price named in their letter of March 22, namely \$6. each, and asked the approval of this Board. (letters submitted- Bureau Bros. to L.W. Miller, 3/22/05, L.W. Miller to Bureau Bros. 3/27/05.)

On motion of Mr. Fox, seconded by Mr. Weygandt, this action of the Secretary was approved

The Secretary presented by way of Report from the Committee on Unveiling of the Drexel Memorial, a copy of the Minutes of the meeting of that Committee held March 17, at which it was decided to take no action until the actual reception of the statue in Philadelphia. (for the Minutes in full, see Committees File under D.)

Mr. Miller, as Chairman of the Committee on Works of Art, reported that pursuant to the resolution of this Board adopted at the last meeting he had communicated with Mr. Frederic Remington who had replied that he "should be delighted to make a horsed Cowboy for the Park", but would like to study possible sites for the statue before submitting a definite proposition. As the result of further correspondence Mr. Remington visited Phila. on April 11 and in company with Messrs. Kelsey and Miller was driven through the Park. He selected as the best site for such a statue as he had in mind a rocky point on

Seals affixed to
works erected by
the Association

the East River Drive just beyond the tunnel north of Girard Avenue Bridge, and in a letter dated April 12th submitted a proposition to erect the statue complete in every respect for the sum of \$20,000.

(for the entire correspondence on this subject see

L.W. Miller to Frederic Remington 3/15/05

3/23/

3/24

3/31

Frederic Remington to L.W. Miller 3/17/

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On motion of Mr. Morris, seconded by Mr. Weygandt the matter was referred to the Committee on Works of Art to report at a subsequent meeting of this Board.

The following bills, presented by the Secretary were approved, and the warrants in payment of the same were countersigned by the Chairman:-

John C. Winston Co. 3/18/05 Printing Annual Report. \$310.50

L.W. Miller, 4/14/05, Bills paid for the Association 394.57

The meeting was then adjourned,

Leslie A. Miller

Secretary.

MINUTES of MEETING.

BOARD of TRUSTEES.

Philadelphia, May 5th, 1905

A Special meeting of the Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association, was held at the office of the Secretary, 320 So. Broad St. on Friday, May 5th, 1905 at 3-30 o'clock.

Present: -Mr. Fox, Mr. Warren, Mr. Cohen, Mr. Morris, Mr. Steinmetz, Mr. Crawford, Mr. Miller.

In the absence of the President, Mr. Fox was called to the Chair.

Communications were received from Mr. Seeler and Mr. Weygandt explaining absence.

Remington's Cowboy
The Secretary stated the object of the meeting to be the consideration of the report of the Committee on Works of Art regarding Mr. Remington's proposition to make a statue of a mounted Cow-boy for Fairmount Park, and read the portions of the Minutes of the last meeting of this Board and of the meeting of the Committee on Works of Art held April 27th referring to this matter. (for these minutes in full see ~~xxxxx~~ Committees file, under W.)

After a full discussion, and on motion of Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Steinmetz the Minutes of the meeting of the Committee on Works of Art held April 27th, presented as a Report from that Committee were accepted, and the recommendation therein was approved by the adoption of the following, offered by Mr. Cohen and seconded by Mr. Morris, -

RESOLVED - that the report of the Committee on Works of Art be accepted and that the recommendations therein contained be approved, and that the Secretary be authorized to address Mr. Remington on behalf of the Board of Trustees in an informal manner to secure the sketch model of the Cow-boy at an expense of five hundred dollars (\$500.) as stated in the report referred to, with the understanding that no further obligation beyond paying for the sketch model should be incurred by the Ass'n.

Mr. Cohen asked unanimous consent to consider a subject which was not mentioned in the call for this meeting. This consent having been given, Mr. Cohen suggested the propriety of securing for the use of this Association any available portions of the marble work on the Dundas mansion, and on motion of Mr. Crawford, duly seconded, it was

Dundas Marbles
RESOLVED - that the Committee on Works of Art be authorized, should occasion serve, to secure the marble work of the portico and steps of the Dundas mansion at Broad & Walnut Sts. if the same can be secured without other expense to the Association than that which would be involved in the removal and storage of the work.

The meeting was then adjourned

Leila M. Miller
Secretary

MINUTES of MEETING.

BOARD of TRUSTEES.

Philadelphia, October 11th, 1905

A Special Meeting of the Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association, was held at the office of the Secretary, 320 South Broad Street, on Wednesday, October 11th, 1905 at half past four o'clock P.M.

Present:- Mr. Converse (in the Chair), Mr. Morris, Mr. Weygandt, Dr. MacAlister, Mr. Cohen, Mr. Crawford, Mr. Seeler, Mr. Miller.

Communications explaining absence were received from Mr. Fox, Mr. Paul and Mr. Steinmetz.

The object of the meeting was stated by the Secretary to be the acceptance of a Japanese Temple Gate, presented by Messrs. John H. Converse and Samuel M. Vauclain for erection in Fairmount Park.

Mr. Cohen, as Secretary of the Committee on Works of Art read the minutes of a meeting of that Committee, held August 18, 1905 at which the following resolutions were adopted:-

Japanese Temple Gate

" WHEREAS Messrs. John H. Converse and S. M. Vauclain have presented to the
" Fairmount Park Art Association a very beautiful Japanese Temple
" of wood, two stories high, of the following dimensions: height
" 45 ft., length 30 ft., breadth 18 ft., and to contain about fifty
" articles in bronze and other material of considerable historic
" and intrinsic value, therefore be it
" RESOLVED that the Committee of Works of Art desires to record its
" great pleasure and satisfaction with the acquirement of this
" unique and artistic gift, and recommends to the Board of Trustees
" an acceptance in the most cordial and appreciative manner. Be
" it further
" RESOLVED that the Committee recommends to the Board of Trustees that
" this gift be tendered to the city of Philadelphia, through the
" Commissioners of Fairmount Park, for erection, preservation and
" care, on such site in the Park as may meet with the approval
" of the Commission."

Mr. Cohen also submitted the correspondence already had with the Commissioners of Fairmount Park and a report of a conference held on October 3d with its Committee on Plans and Improvements. *

The Chairman stated that he and Mr. Vauclain were ready to defray the cost of erecting the Temple on condition that the city shall assume the custody and maintenance of the same.

Discussion by members developed a strong feeling that the temple should be presented to the city only with the distinct understanding that a proper environment should be provided. It developed that the structure in question was rather a gate than a temple and ought to be treated as an entrance, preferably to a garden, which should be treated in a distinctly Japanese manner.

Mr. Converse withdrew at 5.30 and Dr. MacAlister was called to the Chair.

On motion of Mr. Morris, seconded by Mr. Cohen it was

*For copy of the Minutes of the meeting of August 18 and for report of the Conference on October 5, see Committees File, under W.

RESOLVED that the report of the Committee on Works of Art, as presented by Mr. Cohen be accepted, and that a Committee be appointed, of which the Chairman of this meeting shall be a member ex officio, to prepare a suitable communication to Messrs. Converse and Vauclain, expressive of the Board's appreciation of their valuable gift and to arrange with the Commissioners of Fairmount Park the conditions under which the presentation should be made.

The Chairman appointed as his associates on this Committee Messrs. Morris (Chairman), Seeler, and Miller. *

The meeting was then adjourned.

Leslie W. Miller

Secretary.

* The membership of this Committee is, therefore:- Mr. John T. Morris, Chairman
James MacAlister, LL.D.
Mr. Edgar V. Seeler
Mr. Leslie W. Miller

Members of the Committee notified of their appointment, October 13th.
Letter to Messrs. Converse and Vauclain drafted, signed by all members
and mailed October 18th. (see letter-book).

MINUTES of MEETING.

BOARD of TRUSTEES.

Philadelphia, November 10, 1905.

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association, was held at the office of the Secretary, 320 South Broad Street at 3.45 o'clock P.M. to-day.

Present:-Mr. Converse (in the Chair), Mr. Warren, Mr. Dana, Mr. Cohen, Mr. Justice, Mr. Weygandt, Mr. Fox, Mr. Steinmetz, Mr. Crawford, Mr. Seeler, Mr. Miller.

The minutes of the meetings of April 4th and October 11th were read and approved. The minutes of the meeting of May 5th were read, and on motion of Mr. Cohen, seconded by Mr. Fox, were expanded by the addition of the following clause to the resolution authorizing the Secretary to address Mr. Remington offering to pay \$500. for a sketch model of the proposed Cow-boy statue, namely:-

"with the understanding that no further obligation beyond paying
"for the sketch-model should be incurred by the Association."

With this amendment the minutes of the meeting of May 5th also, were approved.

A communication was received from Mr. Thomas J. Dolan, resigning from membership on this Board (letter of May 26, 1905). On motion of Mr. Cohen, the resignation was accepted and the Secretary was instructed to communicate with Mr. Dolan to this effect.

A communication was received from the City Parks Association, A.W. Crawford, Secretary, dated October 5th, 1905, asking for a contribution toward the the expense of issuing the first Report of the Allied Organizations for the acquisition of a Comprehensive Park System. After a full discussion, in which the question of the legality of such a contribution under the present Charter of the Association was raised, the communication was ordered to be laid on the table.

A communication from the American Civic Association, C.R. Woodruff Secretary, dated November 2, 1905 was presented, asking this Association to co-operate in an invitation to the Civic Association to hold its next annual meeting in this city. The communication was ordered to be laid on the table.

The Secretary reported that the committee to arrange the ceremonies of presentation of the Drexel Statue, appointed at the meeting of this Board on February 10th last, had held meetings on May 6th and May 24th (for minutes of these meetings see Committees file, under "D") and that the ceremonies had taken the form of a luncheon given by Mr. James W. Paul, Jr. at the Philadelphia Country Club on Saturday, June 17th at one o'clock. The presentation speech was made by the Hon. Hampton L. Carson, and the statue was received on behalf of the city by Col. A. Loudon Snowden, President of the Board of Commissioners of Fairmount Park. An address in commemoration of Mr. Drexel's life and work was also made by Samuel Dickson, Esq. and a tribute was paid to Mr. Drexel's memory by Mr. E.T. Stotesbury. The ceremonies were followed by the actual unveiling of the statue.

The Secretary reported that as instructed at the special meeting of this Board, held May 5th last, he had written a letter to Mr. Frederick

Remington, offering to pay \$500. for making a sketch-model of the proposed Cow-boy statue for the park, but not pledging the Association to proceed further in the matter. He stated that the letter had been submitted to Mr. Beck, as Counsellor, before being sent, and was approved by him. A copy of the letter and of Mr. Beck's note approving the same, were submitted.

The Secretary reported that, as instructed at the meeting of this Board held on May 5th, he had written to Russell Duane, Esq., representing the purchasers of the Dundas mansion, asking whether, in the disposition of the J. Dundas Lippincott estate there was any possibility of this Association securing the marble steps and portico as a donation. Two letters from Mr. Duane (May 19 and July 28) were submitted stating that while he was personally in sympathy with the proposition, it had been found impossible to donate the marble work as the owners of the property had accepted an offer to purchase it.

The Secretary stated that Miss Natalie Curtis, of Washington, had requested permission to reprint in pamphlet form Mr. LaFlesche's address delivered at the dedication of the statue of the "Medicine Man" and published in the 32d Annual Report, Mr. LaFlesche having given his own consent. He had replied that she would be permitted to reprint the address on condition that credit be given this Association, and that ~~the fact that~~ the fact of its being a reprint from the Report of this Association be noted on her publication of it, which was done. Miss Curtis' letter, (May 26, 1905) and a copy of the Secretary's reply, together with a copy of the address as reprinted, were submitted.

The Secretary also reported that a similar request had been received from Mr. W. W. Newell, Secretary of the American Folk-Lore Society, (October 30, 1905) who desired to reprint Mr. LaFlesche's address in the Journal of American Folk-Lore, and that he had granted this permission on the same conditions as to Miss Curtis. Mr. Newell's letter, and a copy of the reply sent, were submitted.

On motion, duly seconded, the Secretary's action in both these cases was approved.

On behalf of the Committee appointed at the special meeting of this Board held on October 11th, to draft and send a letter to Messrs. John H. Converse and Samuel M. Vauclain, expressing the thanks of this Board for the gift of the Japanese Temple-gate, the Secretary submitted a copy of the letter which had been signed by all members of the Committee, and mailed on October 18th.

On motion, duly seconded, the Committee's action was approved.

It was voted that a Committee be appointed to arrange for the Annual Meeting of the Association, to be held next month. The Chair subsequently appointed to serve on this Committee:—Mr. Steinmetz, Chairman, Mr. Cohen, Mr. Miller.

The Chairman spoke on the subject of the proposed Robert Morris memorial and expressed the hope that this Association could assist in promoting the erection of such a work. Mr. Steinmetz suggested that the aid of Congress be asked. On motion, duly seconded, the whole matter of promoting the erection of such a memorial was referred

Mr. Baughman
11/10/05
to the Committee on Robert Morris Memorial, Daniel Baugh, Esq. Chairman, with a request to report at the Annual meeting.

Mr. Converse reported that the contract for the erection of the Japanese Temple-gate had been drawn with Mr. Sano, and Mr. Miller reported that a change of site had been made at the recommendation of Chief Engineer Vogdes, and that the change would probably be approved at the meeting of the Commissioners of Fairmount Park held to-day. (The change was actually approved at this meeting, see letter from Thos. S. Martin, Secretary, of this date.)

Mr. Fox

On behalf of the Committee appointed to consider the amending of the Charter and By-Laws of the Association (appointed at the meeting of March 11, 1904) explained the delay which had occurred in formulating the desired changes, owing to illness, but hoped to take the matter up without further delay.

On behalf of the Committee on Monumental Memorial (bequest of Richard Smith) Mr. Cohen stated that Mr. Boese of New York, representing Mr. Bartlett of Paris, after some correspondence, had come to Philadelphia on October 30, 1905, to have a conference with Mr. Miller, which Mr. Dana and Mr. Cohen attended. Mr. Boese stated that Mr. Bartlett had no further financial interest in the contract for the McClellan equestrian statue as he had assigned his rights, and gave assurance that if the model now at the Henry-Bonnard Bronze Co. were examined by the Committee he was confident of being able to get the assent of the American Surety Co. to the execution of such papers as will meet the views of Mr. Gest of the Fidelity Trust Co.

Subsequently ~~the above named~~ Messrs. Miller, Dana and Cohen called upon Mr. Gest, who expressed himself as opposed to yielding any right that the Trustee might have in the matter of the bond given by the Surety Co. for indemnity against loss in the payment made to Mr. Bartlett of seven thousand dollars some years since. Mr. Gest, however, promised to consult with the Trustee and advise at a later date.

Mr. Cohen further stated that on November 6th he had called upon Mr. John Marshall Gest, who stated that the matter was having further consideration and that he hoped at an early date to be able to announce a conclusion, and expressed the wish that the Trustees of the Fairmount Park Art Association would not move in the matter until it was more definitely determined.

Mr. Dana called attention to the case of Mr. A. S. Calder, the sculptor, who has been obliged to go to Arizona for his health, and asked whether it were possible for the Association to assist him by the purchase of any of his completed work. On motion of Mr. Dana, seconded by Mr. Weygandt, the suggestion was referred to the Committee on Works of Art with power to act, providing the expense incurred be not over three hundred dollars.

The following bills, presented by the Secretary, were, on motion of Mr. Crawford, duly seconded, approved, and ordered paid:-

10-31	Alfred Stoddart, Safe rental & typewriting.....	\$ 14.
11-10	L. W. Miller, bills paid for the Association.....	218.10

The meeting was then adjourned,

Leslie Miller
Secretary.

Philadelphia, December 8th, 1905

The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees, Fairmount Park Art Association, was held at the office of the Secretary, 320 South Broad Street, Philadelphia, at 3.45 o'clock to-day.

Present:- Mr. Dana, Mr. Fox, Mr. Justice, Mr. Weygandt, Dr. MacAlister, Mr. Crawford, Mr. Seeler, Mr. Steinmetz, Mr. Miller.

In the absence of the President, Mr. Dana was called to the Chair.

Communications explaining absence were received from Mr. Converse and Mr. Cohen.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The draft of the Annual Report prepared by the Secretary was submitted and read, and, on motion of Mr. Fox, seconded by Mr. Weygandt, it was adopted and ordered to be presented at the Annual Meeting as the Report of this Board. The Report of the Treasurer was also presented and accepted.

On behalf of the Committee on Robert Morris memorial, Mr. Miller submitted the minutes of a meeting of that Committee held November 21, noting the appointment of a sub-committee to confer with the Directors of the Bank of North America. (for these minutes in full, see Committees' file, under M.)

Mr. Steinmetz, for the Committee on Annual Meeting, reported that all arrangements had been made for holding the meeting at the Bellevue-Stratford on the evening of Monday, December 18th. The address is to be delivered by Mr. Frank Miles Day, who will speak on "Some suggested improvements to the plan of Philadelphia."

On behalf of the Committee on Works of Art, Mr. Miller submitted letters from Frederic Remington, who is at work upon a model for the proposed Cow-boy statue, under date of November 24 and 29, and December 4, advising of progress on the model and of his desire to have it inspected. Copies of the replies sent to these letters were also submitted. Mr. Miller stated that he would call his Committee together for the purpose of going to New York to inspect the work, and would be glad to have any members of the Board of Trustees who were able to do so accompany the Committee.

Mr. Dana, on behalf of the Committee on Works of Art reported that he and the Chairman of that Committee, Mr. Miller, had inspected the work of Mr. Calder referred to in the Minutes of the meeting of this Board held on November 10th, but that nothing was found available.

Reference in Annual Reports to work of art presented to City through other agencies

The question having been raised as to whether some reference should be made in the Annual Reports to work of art presented to the city by other agencies as well as by this Association, with special reference at this time to the statue of the Pilgrim by St. Gaudens which has been erected on the pavement in front of City Hall by the New England Society of Pennsylvania, it was decided after a full discussion of the various bearings of the subject that it would be inexpedient at the present time to embody such references in the Annual Report.

Dr. MacAlister called attention to the work of the Free Art League recently organized in Boston to conduct an active agitation in the interest of the abolition of the present duty on works of art, and expressed hope

that this Association might do something to assist this worthy movement. No formal action was taken, by the meeting, but the most cordial sympathy with the movement was expressed by the members present.

Dr. MacAlister explained that his absence from the ceremonies attending the presentation and unveiling of the Drexel statue last June was due to ill-health.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Leslie C. Miller
Secretary.