



- Preparations long underway for the Director Search Forum, candidate visits, and interviews very very successful. I'm appreciative of all the hard work staff, Friends, and Board have been doing that made this a great end to our week. We were impressed with both finalist candidates.
- On April 21, the Friends of the Bronson Branch Library hosted our annual combined Friends Meeting. The guest speaker was the President of the Friends of Michigan Libraries, Paul Snyder. It was a pleasant evening, and many thanks to the Bronson Friends and the Bronson Branch staff for helping to put things together. The 2017 combined Friends meeting will be hosted by the Coldwater Branch Friends of the Library.
- We had Finance and Building Committee meetings this past month, reports and recommendations are in the discussion section.
- With the above meetings, all known outstanding policy issues (excepting the expected Personnel Policy Manual rewrite) have been addressed. The manual rewrite, of course, will be a project for the new Director.
- May is a busy time for training. 3 Staff attended the Rural Library Conference last week and 4 new staff will attend the Beginning Workshop next week. We love how energized and full of ideas staff are coming back from these training events and look forward to hearing their reports at our May staff meeting.

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