

Meredith Public Library – Board of Trustees

Minutes of the Library Board of Trustees Meeting – Tuesday, March 23, 2010

Trustees present: Laurie Brothers, Ann Butler, Vickie Carty, Rhetta Colon, Paul Eldridge, Maribeth McEwan, Duncan McNeish

Others present: Erin Apostolos, Director; Judy Hodges, Assistant Director

Chair Paul called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Secretary's Report: It was moved by Maribeth and seconded by Ann that the January 21, 2010 Special Meeting Minutes be approved as presented. Vote was unanimously in favor. It was moved by Maribeth and seconded by Laurie that the March 1, 2010 Special Meeting Minutes be approved as presented. Vote was unanimously in favor. It was moved by Maribeth and seconded by Rhetta that the February 9, 2010 Regularly Scheduled Meeting Minutes be approved as presented. Duncan requested that the list of Library Holidays and Closings for 2010 be included in these minutes. It was so noted, and the amended minutes were approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: The treasurer's report was submitted by Duncan who explained expenditures.

Director's Report:

Clock Tower Update

The repairs have been made to the tower and Erin will seek bids from firms regarding chimney repairs and repointing.

Moose Grant Update

Since the due date for this annual grant is March 31, 2010, Erin will instead write a grant for 2011; letters in support of said grant will be needed.

Meredith Historical Society Partnership

Dialogue between the Library and the Historical Society has begun regarding the holdings of the Historical Society. Erin has located a grant, which could facilitate digitizing genealogical and historical data for use on the Web.

Lakes Region Reads: *The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Society*

The kick-off for this event will be one week before Columbus Day at the Wright Museum in Wolfeboro, NH. The wrap-up of activities will take place at the NH Veterans Home in Tilton, NH around Veterans' Day.

2009 Budget Update

This report is in the process of being finalized.

2010 Budget Update

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Code Enforcement Officer

Paul obtained the necessary permits for installation of the chair lift rail and will look into the concerns of Mr. Edney regarding the cubby handrail.

Function Room Policy

Ann moved that the February 13, 2008 Policy on the Use of the Library Function Room be amended to state that organizations sponsoring fee-based events may not use the function room. Maribeth seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mango Language and E-Books Introduced

Reception of these programs has been very well received by patrons.

Old Business:

Chair Lift Update

Inter-Lakes Builders has blocked and sheet rocked the stairwell for the chair lift. Barricades will be set up for patron and staff safety while the project is being completed. Duncan also explained financial expenditures regarding the chair lift.

Baptist Church Usage Discussion

Price points, parking, town involvement and possible use of the property were discussed. Staff and trustees submitted conceptual drawings/ proposals for use of the land and existing building.

Barbara Clymer Gift

A thank you letter from the Meredith Congregational Church for the library's donation of books for the church nursery in memory of Barbara Clymer was shared with the trustees and the staff.

New Business:

NHLTA Conference

On May 3, 2010, Erin and Ann will be attending the NH Library Trustees Association Conference in Portsmouth, NH.

Department Head Meetings

Paul, Rhetta, and Duncan will convey the board's wishes to Town Manager Phil Warren concerning this matter.

Meredith Public Library Annual Art Show

Laurie is organizing for our second annual art show, which will be in May. Young Adult Librarian Karen Henchey and Inter-Lakes High School Art Teacher Janet Sanguedolce will be assisting in this event, which is sponsored by the Meredith Public Library Board of Trustees.

There being no further business, Chair Paul entertained a motion for adjournment. It was so moved by Rhetta and seconded by Laurie. The meeting was adjourned at 7:12 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Library Board of Trustees will be held at the Meredith Public Library on Tuesday, April 13, 2010 at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Victoria A. Carty, Secretary
Meredith Public Library Board of Trustees