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Board of Trustees Regular Meeting - May 4, 2015

Unapproved Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7 pm by Co-Chair Dave Christensen.

Trustees Present: Dave Christensen, Marilyn Mitchell, Barbara Buss, Rich Agoston, Art Potwin, Karen Kelleher, Leslie Flowers, Jamie Cartwright. Also present was Library Director Stasia Motuzick.

Public Input: None.

Secretary's Report: Motion to accept the minutes from the April Board meeting as written made by M. Mitchell, second by L. Flowers, approved.

Treasurer's Report: Not much change, grant money up \$400. Stasia bought books and DVDs. Marilyn said a comparison will be able to be made (to last year) in July or August. Town Treasurer Janet will be asked to give us an update on the investments each quarter, or to see if our Treasurer can get access to the account directly so we can keep abreast of funds.

Librarian's Report: Proposed budget of \$177,881 to go to the Town Meeting which will (probably) be held on May 19 at 7pm. July and August artwork to be by town residents (including Board members!). Mike Criss requested that Joan and Mary's hours be the same each week instead of varying depending on who works on Saturday. This will result in increased hours for part-time summer help. Lewis Mills has loaned yearbooks to the library for the summer for the patrons' perusal. Mary is putting in for a LSTSA grant. There will be a grant request to be placed to Thomaston Savings Bank. Ted Weingart is donating a wine rack made of horseshoes for a silent auction. There were printer problems last week. Dean repaired it and said it requires a roller at the cost of \$300 which Stasia will take from the computer fund. Stasia would like to see Dean remain as computer repair contact. The Friends' Plant, Book, and Bake sale will be May 16 and they would appreciate donations from us.

Committee Reports:

- **Art:** Fresh watercolor paintings will be up this week.
- **Budget:** Submitted, to be brought up at town meeting this month.

- **Computers:** Rich spoke w/Mike Pennington at Conn. Education Network regarding the fiber optics. Interlibrary loan is undergoing refurbishment and there will be no interlibrary loans for the summer. Individuals can look at Litchfield/Burlington libraries, see if a desired book is there and then put in a request.
- **Fundraising:** Victoria Elliott offered to have a fundraiser at her home - pizza, beer. We will need to bring/serve appetizers. The cost will be \$25/ticket and will occur at a currently unknown date in August.
- **Investments:** Previously mentioned.
- **Property and Building:** Barb, Art and Rosemary handed out flyers at Super Saturday last week. Building committee getting off to a slow start. There will be a meeting Wed. night. Leslie will have a comparison expense report of repair vs. renovation. Jack Baer and Mr. Preneveau (sp) will be looking at the numbers. Steps to take will be, first go to Zoning and Wetlands Boards, then have public sessions, then to Board of Finance.
- **Governance:** We don't meet in July and new terms for officers start in August. A new chair will need to be elected next month.
- **Correspondence:** None.
- **Library Director Search:** 12 resumes were received. There were two interviews already, and three more tomorrow night. Once it's narrowed to two, they will meet with Mike Criss and we can appoint them at our meeting next month. If needed, we may have a special meeting earlier than the June meeting.

Other Business: None

Motion to adjourn was made by L. Flowers, second by M. Mitchell, approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:47pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Kelleher, Secretary

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