

Tiverton Library Services

Board of Trustees Minutes

Town Hall

August 6, 2014

Trustees/Director Attending:

Ann Grealish-Rust (Director)

Barbara Donnelly, Chair

Ann Grealish Rust introduced the newly-hired youth librarian, Abby Porter.

1. Approval of Minutes for Previous Meeting.

Minutes of June 25, 2014 were reviewed and approved with no corrections. They will be placed on file.

Reports were reviewed, including General/Operational Budget vs. Actual

Money Market checking account: \$260,652.98

Champlin Foundation: \$751,395.23

Checking Account: \$32,563.97

Endowment \$ 163,297

3. Union Public Library Association.

The recent article in the Providence Journal was circulated to Trustees. The

article reviewed the history of the Union Library and contained an interview with

Diana Parente, a staff librarian.

The Union Library will hold its annual used book sale on August 16-17 at

Tiverton Four Corners.

4. Friends of the Tiverton Library (FOTL).

Ann reported that the Friends have purchased a new sign board for

the front of

Ann reported that the FOTL plans to donate \$6,000 for programming in the

upcoming calendar year. The group also plans to purchase a new sign for the

front of Essex library and bags for the “books for babies” program.

Ann recapped the July 15th

spring opening fundraising gala event. She reported that Brenda Nagle and Kerry

Kennedy are the co-chairs. The meeting was very well-attended and several sub

committees were formed to tackle the various aspects of planning this event. The

next meeting is scheduled for August 27th

Lee Hoyer reported that all of the walls are up and portions of the roof are in

place. He had photos to show Trustees.

The Trustees then had a discussion regarding planned landscaping.

Lee was able

to provide many details of the landscape plan and the Trustees asked him to bring

the actual plans to the next meeting.

Lee also reported that the FFE (furnishings, fixtures and equipment) committee

meets regularly to discuss the interior design of the new library. A light palette

is planned for interior walls with medium color carpet made of tiles and cork.

Furniture options are also being reviewed and chosen.

Ann reported that she has received calls from a few citizens referencing a

comment made by Rep. Jay Edwards concerning Behan Brothers.

Barbara

Donnelly plans to contact Rep. Edwards for clarification.

There was a brief discussion about the mosaic mural that is planned for the new

library. Mika Seeger is the artist who has donated her time for this project. Funds

for materials are being sought through a grant from Rhode Island State Council

for the Arts. Among the details that must be settled upon are: size, concept, actual

placement, timeline for installation and cost.

7. Foundation. No report.

Ann provided the Director's Report from July 2014.

Ann also mentioned that the library plans to have a table again this year at Pardon

Gray Day, September 13th

The Trustees then reviewed several of the meeting room policies that Ann

collected from several libraries, both local and non-local, as a means to shape

the meeting room policies at the new library. Lee Hoyer had made an Excel

spreadsheet that he plans to share with the Trustees. While no decisions were

made, the discussion focused on the use of the rooms by various groups (civic,

meeting of individuals interested in helping with the

at Essex.

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religious, and political) and whether there would be a fee structure.

Ann was

asked to follow up on several specific questions.

Barbara Donnelly reminded the Trustees that we are to appear before the Town

Council on August 25th

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM

Maureen Morrow, Secretary

to present an annual report.