

MINUTES
Board of Trustees
Barrington Public Library
Thursday, February 27, 2014

Senior Center Activities Room
281 County Road, Barrington RI 02806

Members Present:

Kate Johnson
Cindy Kaplan (arrived at 7:30 p.m.)
Laura Laurence
Dan O'Mahony
Dean Robinson
Laura Young
Vince Wicker

Presiding: Vince Wicker

Also Present:

Debbie Barchi, Director

Meeting was brought to order at 7:02 p.m.

Board welcomed Dean Robinson (new member).

Minutes from the January 16, 2014, meeting were approved (motion by Johnson, second by Robinson).

Financial Reports:

Accepted. Expenditures are on target for this point in the fiscal year.

Statistical Reports:

Accepted. Program attendance and children's services were down due to the elevator repair (very little programming was held in January or February). The school vacation program was held at Town Hall.

Director's Report:

Wendy's leave likely will extend until the end of March. Director may reassess the duties currently assigned to Wendy's position (extremely extensive scope) for possible redistribution to other staff members.

Old business:

- a) Five-year plan – Survey will close at the end of February. To date, there are 279 completed surveys; 40 people filled out paper surveys.
- b) Update on building projects (elevator and carpeting) – Elevator installation is complete; however, final inspections must be done before elevator can be used. It is hoped that this will occur next week.

New business:

- a) Review proposed FY 2015 budget – Director is asking for a full-time Programming Librarian by reallocating existing funds (no additional funds related to this request). Overall increase to the requested budget is around 2 percent.

Agenda for March 20, 2014, meeting:

Old business

- a) Update on five-year plan
- b) Budget update
- c) Building projects update

New business

None

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Dan O'Mahony, Secretary
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Financial Reports:

Treasurer Robinson distributed the financial report. Approximately \$45,500 is in the Trustee checking accounts (combined). The tax returns have been completed and are ready for signatures.

Director pointed out that the Champlin grant requires a separate account to track funds.

The representative from Coastline will come to the April 17 meeting. The monthly report from Coastline for January 2014 was distributed for information.

There was a question about the status of the unexpended funds of the small named funds. At the December 19, 2013, meeting, the Board decided that we should spend out the three smaller accounts in question (Desisto, Easton, and Nash) and let the accounts expire, given the due diligence already pursued to contact donors and the cost of pursuing legal proceedings. The library would continue to publicly recognize the expired accounts by honoring the donors with a plaque displayed in the library.

Old Business:

- a) Fundraising subcommittee report – Subcommittee will meet after the Trustee's meeting (February 27) to review applications for the fundraiser position.

New Business:

None

Agenda for March 20, 2014, meeting:

Old business:

- a) Fundraising

New business:

- a) None

Fundraising Subcommittee (Kaplan chair) will meet immediately after the Trustee's meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Dan O'Mahony, Secretary
Barrington Public Library Corporation