Deep River Library Board

Meeting minutes 12/14/2010

A.C. Proctor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Other members present were:

Louise Cowen, Jim Davis, Rolf Peterson, Michelle Emfinger, Peggy Maraschiello, Library Director Ann Paietta, John Bairos, Roy Jefferson, Angie Marion

Audience of Citizens: One of the town citizens, Paula Weglarz, was present to provide feedback on the library policy regarding issuing library cards to first graders. She described her experience with a request for a library card for her daughter. In the past all first graders received their first library cards during a field trip coordinated by the first grade elementary school teachers. The issue will be addressed by the LBOD policy committee and a proposed policy presented to the board for review at an upcoming meeting.

Minutes of the November meeting were approved after one correction in the treasurer's report. Amended meeting minutes will be filed.

Treasurer's Report: Louise reports that we are close to our balance from last year at this time, so doing well with budgeting. Louise provided a brief overview of budgets and accounts for the new member, Rolf Peterson.

Correspondence: none

Election of Officers – Slate AC Proctor – Chairperson Roy Jefferson – Vice-Chair Louie Cowen – Treasurer Michelle Emfinger – Secretary Angie Marion – Corresponding Secretary Motion approved to accept the slate of officers.

Library Director's Report: November was a busy month, with circulation up over last November. Discussed the issue of non-returned items. Ann stated that this DVDs are kept behind the counter and in general we have very few lost items. Ann reviewed some of the upcoming programming including Kaplan test prep, and Music with Margie. The Anime Club will be restarting. There has been good response to the call for local authors to participate in an event in January. The mural created by elementary school students was hung in the back stairway. We reviewed the closings list for 2010 – same holiday closings as prior years.

Committee Appointments:

Budget – CP AC Proctor, Treasurer Louise Cowen, Library Director Ann Paietta
Exhibits – Roy Jefferson, Peggy Maraschiello
Hospitality – Louise Cowen, AC Proctor
House and Grounds – Rolf Petersen, Roy Jefferson, Louise Cowen
Policy – John Bairos, Jim Davis, AC Proctor
Publicity/Public Relations – Angie Marion, John Bairos

Old Business

Party in the library Thursday evening 6-8pm for board, staff, volunteers and Friends of the Library.

Glider model was donated to the library and will be installed in a display case upstairs. Discussed having a board liaison to the Friends group

New Business

A new shopping bag will be available soon and is planned to be on sale for \$6.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made at 8:10 pm

Submitted by Michelle Emfinger, Secretary Next meeting January 11,2010