

Philbrick James Library
Meeting of the Board of Trustees
May 7, 2012

Present: Trustees: Joan Bilodeau, Chris Carr, Sandra Yacopucci, Mal Cameron, Claudia Libis, Eve Hazen, Dee Jones, and Librarian Evelyn DeCota

Meeting called to order at 7:05 PM

Old Business: Update from Ben Averell on Eagle Scout project
Ben has received all monies he needs to complete the project, and he begins work May 19-20 and plans to complete work June 2-3. Van Berkum Nursery is donating plants and he will install solar lights for the front walkway. He has obtained loam and grass seed to replace the lawn damaged by the sand and brick required for the walkway. A grateful board gave him a round of applause, as he left for his scout meeting.

Secretary's Report: accepted

Treasurer's Report: Checking account: \$40,897.91, Savings Account: \$37,458.66

Librarian's Report:

The printer for Mel's computer is installed and working fine.
Passes need to be renewed for the Museum of NH History is Concord. (passed)
Friends of the Library will be asked to renew passes for Children's Museum of NH.
Dream Big is the theme for the Summer Reading program. Kick Off: June 25, 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM. Attendees should wear jammies and bring their teddy bears (or other stuffies).

Repairs:

Doorbell for the side door is broken. Claudia will call electrician Frank LaValliere to install a proper wired doorbell. Stu from Beckett Glass gave an estimate of \$487 for the installation of five windows in the entry; 2 tempered (below). Evelyn and Dee will decide on window frame color from the samples he provides. Motion to proceed, passed. Dee will call Beckett Glass.

Safety Update:

Exit light has been ordered (inside light by lift). First Aid Kit is on order.
Tile at front steps needs repair/replacement. Claudia suggested contacting The Bureau of Historical Resources for information.

Old Business (continued):

The flag has been installed at the back door. The framed photo of Mary Pendleton will be moved downstairs by the lift. The Volunteer of the Year plaque with the names of Chris and Jill is back on the wall with Elsie's picture below.

Right to Know information/discussion: Evelyn received a letter from H. Cady requesting access to her computer's motherboard in reference to the posting of meetings, etc. Evelyn

contacted Leslie at town hall, who contacted the town attorney. H. Cady's request was denied; reasons were relayed by letter from Evelyn. All further contacts from H. Cady will be referred to the town attorney.

New Business

As a courtesy, many announcements from organizations in town have been posted at the library. Our small front entry becomes cluttered with notices. Until further notice, only library-related business will be posted.

Mal would like to make a presentation at the library on the Hubble Telescope (April 25 was the 22nd anniversary of its deployment). He contacted Deb Boisvert about borrowing needed equipment for the presentation from the school, which brought up the fact that the library should have its own equipment. The school may be able to provide some things they no longer use; Mal will look into the possibilities.

The Memorial Garden is in the planning stages. No cost projects include a general clean up around the trees and shrubs whenever the weather permits. Funding would come from the Elsie Brown donations and possibly selling bricks with the names of donors. Access to water is essential, so Joan will contact Ron LaBore from Plumbing and Heating Solutions (Deerfield) to give estimates and the best locations. Outdoor lighting is also essential, so Claudia will ask Frank LaValliere for estimates.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 PM

Respectfully submitted, Dee Jones

Next meeting: June 4