

Philbrick-James Library
Meeting of the Board of Trustees
November 4, 2013

Present: Joan Bilodeau, Mal Cameron, Linda Perry, Christine Johnson, Chris Carr, Maureen Mann, Dee Jones, and librarian Evelyn DeCota.

Meeting called to order: 5:57 pm (after presentation before the BOS)

Secretary Report: approved

Treasurer's Report: Checking: \$44,559.11 Savings: \$38,357.48

Librarian's Report:

Correspondence:

- Ancestry Library Edition invoice paid: \$190

Technology:

- Newer, faster computers will be installed this coming weekend.

Programs:

- Suggestions for the Humanities Council presentations for next year were submitted by several trustees. Each sponsoring group will be responsible for publicity and refreshments.

Professional Development:

- READ Conference was disappointing; CHILIS Conference was beneficial.

Repairs:

- One candidate is a possibility, pending a background check. We were gratified to hear the favorable response from the BOS regarding the changes to the position requested in Evelyn's letter to the Board.

Old Business

- Front entry repairs began today. It was much worse than anticipated; columns had to be shored up.
- Friendship Garden follow-up: Turn out for digging day was quite good – 15 folks. A new planter was dug, leaves were raked, bushes were trimmed, in addition to some bushwhacking. Beautiful day for all this activity. Another meeting for the next phase is planned.
- Pie Sale sign up for Friends of the Library on Saturday, November 23, 9-sellout
- Art Gallery: an organizer for the gallery is needed now that Sandra has moved. Library Assistant Anne Vennerbeck volunteered enthusiastically for the position and we all enthusiastically gave her the position. Evelyn has a list of previous artists who contributed and the waivers needed. Maureen will Email Sandra to see if any artists are signed up for coming months.

New Business:

- Budget presentation at BOS was positively received. MBC presentation will be December 7, time TBA.
- Possible library presentations: Fred Borman, Rockingham County Co-Operative Extension, to speak about storm proofing property
- Vision Questionnaire: not applicable to specific imminent needs

- LCHP Grant: Mal reported that 74 state applications have been received by the agency. We will remain positive. . .Notification will come mid December.

Meeting adjourned: 7:09 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Dee Jones