

Etna Library  
Board of Trustees  
Minutes from June 10, 2015

**Present:** E. Cornell, K. Wilson, G. Boitnott, B. Prince

May minutes approved

**Librarian's report** – We would like to see our statistics compared to national and state trends in library circulation and visits.

**Old Business:**

*Book Bags* – Ginger presented several options for new Etna Library book bags. After discussion we decided on a large 3 panel bag with a zipper (or Velcro closure) in 10 oz. cotton. We will use the original Etna Library silkscreen with modified wording. Colors will be natural and burgundy. We hope to have a price and information from the company about the original logo at our next meeting.

*Susan Morse Program on Animals of the North* – Program will be co-sponsored by the Etna Library, the Hanover Conservancy and the Sierra Club of the Upper Valley on Saturday, Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> at 2PM at Trumbull Hall.

*Item in Loving Memory of Kay Olsen* – A bird feeder and two birdhouses have been donated to the library. Two Adirondack chairs will be purchased, one of which will be in memory of Kay. We discussed the purchase of adult- and child-sized binoculars along with backpacks and guide books to be available to patrons for check-out.

*Baptisia* – The plants will be planted on the south-west side of the library by the town when received.

*Building Maintenance Update* – Windows to be replaced have been measured by the town. Discussion about style and screens.

*NH Library Trustees Conference and Medline Plus Presentation* – Elizabeth and Ginger reported that the trustees conference was well attended and the presentations and workshops were both inspirational and useful. Focus was on planning for the future for a successful library, how to make our library relevant to the community it serves, and how to incorporate technology. Barbara announced that she spoke at the Librarians of the Upper Valley meeting in May. Her presentation was on MedLine Plus, a NIH U.S. National Library of Medicine website that contains a wealth of health information.

**New Business:**

*Unaccompanied Children Policy* – A policy pertaining to the use of the Etna Library by children was approved by the trustees.

*Gift from Hanover Class of 1951* – We recently received a generous gift. It will be used for children services. We approved spending \$125 for the purchase of backpacks and binoculars. We discussed purchasing a bean bag chair.

*Hanover Garden Club Plantings* – The Hanover Garden Club is adding the Etna Library to their projects. They have planted geraniums and hosta in front of the baptisia on the side of the library. They also worked on the circle planting on the front lawn of the library.

*New additions to Hanover Historical Collection* – We received donations of two new additions to our Etna historical collection.

*Hanover Center Fair and Float* – The theme this year is superheroes.

*Librarians of the Upper Valley Meeting in July* – The presentation will be on fundraising.

Meeting date – July 20 at 10AM

*Volunteers Appreciation* – Plans for a summer Saturday morning tea.

*Staffing* – Barbara has used Howe substitutes to fill staffing needs.

**Date for Next Trustee meeting** – Wednesday, July 15, 6 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Ginger Boitnott