Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by Chairman Richard Matckie. The following board members were in attendance: Pauline Caron, Richard Matckie, Betsy McKinney, and Vicki Stachowske. Also in attendance: Barbara Ostertag-Holtkamp, Library Director; Sally Nelson, Assistant Director and Head of Circulation Services; Kathy Mague, Assistant Director and Head of Reference Services.

Secretary's Report:

The Secretary's Report for August 4, 2010 was distributed prior to the meeting. Barbara Ostertag-Holtkamp noted a change in the Director's Report. A **motion** was made by Vicki Stachowske to accept the minutes as amended. The **motion was seconded** by Pauline Caron. All in attendance accepted the motion, **motion carried**.

Director's Report:

Gifts Donated to the Leach Library –

- The First Church of Christ Scientist donated a subscription to the "Christian Science Monitor".
- The library received $25.00 to purchase "Close to you: how animals bond" and "Animal Families" in honor of the El-Azem family.

A **motion** was made by Betsy McKinney to accept the gifts. The **motion was seconded** by Pauline Caron. All in attendance accepted the motion, **motion carried**.

Programs –

- On Thursday, August 12, 2010, the library hosted "Tips for Growing Healthy Indoor Plants", presented by Dr. Cheryl Smith. 25 individuals attended the program.
- On Thursday, September 9, 2010, at 7:00 p.m., the library will have "Granite State Sacrifice During the American Civil War" with historian Steven Closs. He will present this program on the soldiers of New Hampshire who made the ultimate sacrifice during the American Civil War. He will pay particular attention to the twelve fallen soldiers from Londonderry. Mr. Closs is a New Hampshire Civil War historian and author who has studied the American Civil War for the past twenty years. The Londonderry Historical Society is sponsoring the program.

- On Thursday, October 14, 2010, at 7:00 p.m., the library will host "Haunted Lighthouses of New England" with Jeremy D'Entremont. Mr. D'Entremont, an author, historian, and leading expert on local lighthouses, will give this talk on haunted lighthouses of New England. The illustrated presentation will feature historic and new photos of lighthouses in the region with tales of eerie happenings. Mr. D'Entremont is the author of seven books on lighthouses of the region and the historian for the American Lighthouse Foundation. He has appeared on the History Channel, the Travel Channel, Public Television, and National Public Radio as a guest expert on lighthouses.
- On Thursday, November 18, 2010, at 7:00 p.m., the library will have a concert with Jazz Guitarist Gerry Johnston. This solo jazz guitar performance will include selections from "The American Songbook." These standards include songs by composers such as George Gershwin, Duke Ellington, and Cole Porter.

Announcements -

- The library had a roof leak in the Technical Services department on August 5, 2010. The electrician needed to be called to rewire the emergency light located under the leak to turn it off temporarily. The roof was repaired on August 20, 2010. We are monitoring the area for a few weeks to make certain the leak repair holds before the light is rewired.

Assistant Director and Head of Circulation Services Report:

- During the month of August, the adult room circulated a total of 18,917 materials, a 4.13% increase over August 2009.
- By the end of August, 452 teens had read 3,919 books during the Summer Reading Program. The program will run through September 4, 2010. After this date I will have all the totals, including the Janice Anagnos Memorial Prize result that goes to the student who read the most books this summer.
- By the end of August, 1,259 children had read 23,765 books during the Summer Reading Program. The program will run through September 11, 2010, after which date I will have the final totals.
- A total of 2,210 participated in the 42 children's programs and activities that included craft and games days, trivia weeks, scavenger hunts and storytimes. There have been several exciting special programs during August, including Reptiles on the Move and the King of Silly finale shows on the Common.

Assistant Director and Head of Reference Services Report:

- The reference staff answered 795 reference questions in August and answered 98 directional questions. We logged 842 patrons onto the Internet.
- Our Adult Summer Reading Program was very well received. Students who had outgrown the Young Adult Program were excited to continue a reading program and many parents commented on being able to set a good example for their children, read as a family, and even have friendly competitions to see which family members could read the most during the summer. We had 419 participants who read 2,753 books. Our grand prize winner who read the most books during the summer was June Newitt who read 103 books.
- More than a thousand books have been challenged since ALA's first Banned Book Week in 1982. This year Banned Books Week which begins on September 25, has the slogan "Think for yourself and let others do the same". The Leach Library will celebrate our freedom to read the full month of September with a display of "Banned Books" on the large table.
- Our small table features some of our playaways, the all-in-one audiobook. This ultra portable device is smaller than a deck of cards with a full-length book preloaded onto it. Just plug in earbuds, headphones, speakers, or car adapter and listen.

Old Business:

There is no old business this month.

New Business:

- Policy Revisions-

  Barbara Ostertag-Holtkamp presented the current Group Study Room and Quiet Study Room Policies with suggested revisions. A discussion ensued over offering the Group Study Room to an individual when it is not in use by a group. Also due to high demand for these rooms, it was recommended to make both rooms available to individuals with Leach Library cards in good standing.

  A **motion** was made by Vicki Stachowske to accept the policies as amended. The **motion was seconded** by Betsy McKinney. All in attendance accepted the motion, **motion carried**.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Minutes of September 1, 2010

Non Public Session:

Enter Non Public Session

Chairman Richard Matckie requested a roll call vote to enter Non Public Session pursuant RSA 91-A:3 II, subparagraph (a), the dismissal, promotion or compensation of any public employee or the disciplining of such employee, or the investigation of any charges against him, unless the employee affected (1) has a right to a meeting and (2) requests that the meeting be open, in which case the request shall be granted.

Roll Call Vote: Aye, Pauline Caron; Aye, Richard Matckie; Aye, Vicki Stachowske; Aye, Betsy McKinney.

A **motion** was made by Pauline Caron to allow Barbara Ostertag-Holtkamp and Sally Nelson to attend non public session as the subject pertains. The **motion was seconded** by Vicki Stachowske. All in attendance accepted the motion, **motion carried**.

The Board entered Non Public Session at 7:19 p.m.

Exit Non Public Session

Chairman Richard Matckie requested a motion to exit Non Public Session. Pauline Caron made a **motion** at 7:35 p.m. to exit Non Public Session. The **motion was seconded** by Vicki Stachowske. Board's **vote** 4-0-0

A **motion** was made by Pauline Caron to accept the recommendation of the library staff. The **motion was seconded** by Vicki Stachowske. All in attendance accepted the motion, **motion carried**.

A **motion** was made at 7:37 p.m. by Betsy McKinney to adjourn the meeting. The **motion was seconded** by Vicki Stachowske. All in attendance accepted the motion, **motion carried**.

Notes by: Barbara Ostertag-Holtkamp, Sally Nelson, Kathy Mague
Minutes Typed by: Sally Nelson   Date: September 1, 2010

Respectfully submitted,

Sally Nelson
Assistant Director and Head of Circulation Services