

WAREHAM FREE LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES OF MEETING, TUESDAY, JUNE 22, 2010

1. Meeting called to order at 4:06 and Chaired by Johnna Fredrikson

Present: Leie Carmody

Kathleen Furler

Jack Houton

Martha Strachan

Loey Vieira

Johnna Fredrikson

Tom Wavro

Guests: Mary Nyman, Kathy Gleason, Paula Mangum, Nora

Bicki,

Nancy Ellis

- ## 2. Public Comments:.

Kathy Gleason stated that the Friends of the WFL would be meeting at the WFL at 7 pm

3. Minutes of the last meeting were reviewed and accepted without corrections. Martha Strachan, so moved, seconded by Leie Carmody, all present approved the motion.

Martha Strachan commented that any corrections to the minutes either need to be reflected in the minutes of the succeeding meeting or specifically noted in the minutes corrected, her point was well taken.

- #### 4. Old Business

- a. By Laws: Previously forwarded to town administrator, we are still awaiting review.

Johnna has talked to the TA but was unable to secure an understanding of when approval would take place. Leie Carmody moved that elections be held at our next meeting, Martha Strachan seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

- b. Search for New Director

The field of candidates has been narrowed to three, those on the trustee subcommittee agreed that all the candidates are qualified and equally impressive.

- c. Status of Memo of Understanding - Friends of the WFL

A rather thorough and involved review and discussion of the the MOU presented by the Friends was conducted. What follows is a summary of the concerns and the corrections offered.

- References to library refer to the WFL Library
- The Friends raise funds for the benefit of the WFL
- Friends will receive a report of deposited funds with the town spent on the library
- Library space needed by the Friends for various activities will be the responsibility of the Library Director
- Books donated to the WFL belong to whom ?
- Section III of the MOU: Friends Responsibilities, to be addressed by a motion offered by the Planning and Development Committee of the Board.

A further major concern was raised as to the parties of the MOU. There seemed to be some confusion. The Chair will follow up with the Town Administrator seeking clarification.

- d. Family Day at the Library, Saturday, June 26, 2010

Tom Wavro and Jack Houton gave a short summary of this event to be held from 11 to 1 pm. It will feature a raffle, baseball tickets to the Pawtucket Red Sox and other baseball items. Players from the Wareham Gatemen will be present to read to the children and sign autographs. Children's librarian, Marcia Hickey has been an invaluable resource in assisting in the planning and implementation of this event.

e. Literacy program celebration supper, Thursday, June 24th.

Johnna Fredrikson reminded the trustees of this event to which they were all invited. It is a chance to share in the joy of those who have participated and who have successfully graduated from in a number of adult education programs offered by the library under the leadership of Deena Kinski and David Mason.

5. New Business

a. Standing Committees Reports

The Planning and Development Committee presented the following motion:

Move that the Board of Library Trustees (OLT) request the Town Accountant review the PC filings with the Massachusetts Attorney General and the 990 filings with the IRS of 501 (c) (3) non-profit corporations entering into MOU's (Memorandum of Understanding) treating of Wareham Free Library matters or contemplating to do so and upon completion of said reviews render advisory comments to the appointing authority and the Board of Library Trustees

After discussion the motion was moved by Jack Houton, and seconded by Martha Strachan, passed unanimously.

Also presented was a motion that the Board seek to develop new resources to assist the library financially. After discussion and several changes the motion so read.

"In addition to the amicable and productive relationships with both the Friends of the Library and the Library Foundation, the Board of Library Trustees strives to develop new vehicles, in concert with the town government, to financially support the library program." Motion was moved by Leie Carmody and seconded by Martha Strachan. Motion passed unanimously.

Policy Committee: Kate Furler reported her efforts to secure copies of the various operating procedures in place at the library. She had conferred with the TA and was referred to the Acting Director.

b. Jack Houton will distribute documents used by the Trustees of the Provincetown Library, that he thought would be helpful in our work.

c. Library Website: Leie Carmody has been working with the town computer manager in several needed changes to the library's website, she will continue in this effort.

d. Use of library space by individuals and groups external to the library. This matter was referred to the Policy Committee for further review.

6. Acting Director's Report

Marcia Griswold was absent from the meeting, a report was not available.

7. Trustee Matters

a. New applicants for trustee positions

After a brief discussion regarding the previous decision not to comment on trustee candidates as requested by the Selectmen, it was agreed upon that such reviews would be helpful in recognizing competencies possessed by candidates that would be helpful in our committee work. We will inform our liaison of our interest. Hopefully we would be able to review the resumes prior to interviews by the Board of Selectmen. Motion moved by Leie Carmody and seconded by Martha Strachan. Motion passed, Johnna and Kate abstained.

b. The trustees acknowledged that this was Loey Viera last meeting and thanked her for her service and commitment to the library and wished her well in future endeavors.

8. Public Matters

Leie Carmody reminded the group that Community Arts in Action would be putting on another program, their last for the year. The library would be one of the recipients from the proceeds.

Motion to adjourn by Jack Houton, seconded by Kate Furler, passed unanimously at 5:41.

Next meeting: Tuesday, July 13, 2010. Multi Service Center, 4 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Wavro

Minutes voted upon, Tuesday, July 13, 2010

Approved / Disapproved

Johnna Fredrikson
Acting Chairperson

Tom Wavro
Secretary