Shedd Free Library Board of Director's Meeting August 13, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 by Chairman Pat Liotta, Jo Ellen Wright, Brenda Gilliland, Al Bruno, Colleen Whitney, Becky Dulac and Laura Manchester in attendance.

Secretary's Report: accepted as printed and filed.

Treasurer's Report: none at this point, Al is going to help Colleen with a format for the Treasurer's Report.

Comments from the Public:

- Jo Ellen reported that there had been several comments on the pergola, mostly positive but some had questioned the width of the cross boards on top thinking they were too small. Becky commented that she had seen a pergola the night before and the cross rails were the same width as the library pergola.
- Pat commented that she had received many positive comments on the pergola in regard to color and design.

Jim Graves Memorial Fund: Laura Manchester was able to attend the beginning of our meeting to be part of the discussion on her dad's memorial fund. The fund is now at \$2200.

- Laura opened the discussion by saying that she and her family would like us to use the fund to get something we truly needed and they were not set on any one thing. She acknowledged that the front yard is probably too small and slanted to accommodate a memorial bench. Another thought her mother had was a flag pole. Pat asked Laura what her father's interests had been, she answered, that he loved this country, had an interest in woodworking, gardening and sports.
- Discussion followed on possibilities in all these areas. It was decided that a true need of the library is another book shelf similar to the one we have for children's picture books to display young adult literature. We also need new shelving for the DVD's in the front of the library. Jo Ellen will take a picture of the existing shelf and take measurements then contact the state prison. Our existing bookshelf and the computer table were built at the state prison.

Correspondence: None **Librarian's Report**:

- Jo Ellen reported on recent events at the library, summer reading program is a great success 37 children signed up, pajama party had 25 in attendance.
- Jo Ellen asked if we could use the remaining stain from the pergola to paint the bench around the well. Pat said that the remaining paint will be used to give the pergola another coat.
- Carpet cleaner said our rug is in good shape, may only need cleaning once a year in the future.
- Wine and Cheese at Becky's was a success and the Friends gained one new member.

Ice cream social rescheduled for August 20, 5:30-7:00. Ice cream has been ordered from the store and librarians suggested that we have a dedication for the new pergola.

Unfinished Business:

- Pergola update and climbing plants: Pat will ask Ed Thayer about taking care of the rocks in front of pergola. Pergola is done and feedback is positive, it does need another coat of stain which Pat and Becky will help Bill with it September.
- Septic Completed: Jo Ellen will call Bob Bachand to get the bill and also ask him to draw a map of septic field.
- Report on Wine and Cheese: successful, one new member and others who said they would bake, Jo Ellen will call and remind them.
- Wireless printer: bought, not hooked up yet, will be within the next 2 weeks.
- Jim Graves Memorial: see above
- Chimney repair: No more water with all the rain we've had. Jo Ellen will call Ed Weldon to touch up paint in the front room.

New Business:

• Al will stay on as an Alternate, Pat will try to drum up new interest in Alternate Trustees

Next Meeting dates:

- Thursday, October 1st 6:00 pm
- Thursday, December 3rd, 6:00 pm

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm

Respectfully submitted, Becky Dulac, Secretary Shedd Free Library Trustee