

Goodnow Library Trustee Meeting
November 4, 2014

Attendance: Robert Iuliano, Barbara Pryor, Carol Hull, Sarah Sogigian
(secretary/Vice Chair), Lily Gordon, Esme Green

Absent: Nancy Hershfield

Guests: Len Simon, Board of Selectman, Elin Neiterman and Stewart Hoover,
Sudbury Historical Society

Call to Order: Sarah called the meeting to order, Lily seconded.

Approval of minutes as amended:

October 2014 minutes approved Motion by Carol, seconded by Bob

Presentation from the Sudbury Historical Society:

Stewart, President
Elin, Board Member

The Society presented their plan to expand the historical society, using the Loring Parsonage. They've done a feasibility study and noted that the building needs structural help. Stuart presented a possible floor plan that will accommodate the society, museum, collections, and visitor's center.

Director's report:

Budget Update: The library had extended summer hours through October, but reinstated full weekend hours on October 25. (Saturday, 10-5; Sunday, 1-5)
There is now a nighttime rover in place for nights when the library is open.

Financial report: Barbara and Esme went to the Finance Committee meeting, and Maureen made a strong presentation in favor of our funding. Our December meeting will have a revised budget and a better sense of where we are financially. FY16 instructions are coming soon. Esme plans to make a pitch for the YA position and will give a financials presentation to Maureen. 42% of the Fiscal year is over, maintenance costs are a bit higher this year. Materials spending: children's is a bit behind, but will catch up.

Question: Are DVDs becoming obsolete? Answer from Esme: Not yet, but possibly in the next couple of years.

Personnel: Some people had hours moved due to restructuring.

Facilities: Foyer is dramatically changed. Looks wonderful and inviting. The new television screen is being used to highlight services, resources, and programs.

Lily asked about a digital magazine resource called Zinnio.com. It's very expensive, but Esme will do some research.

Question: How is the Community room being used? A: Very well.

New books area and furniture are coming. Security cameras are working. Esme now has software on her computer, training is coming.

Trustee Report:

Discussion about the Goodnow Sign in front of the library. Reminder that we are in the historical district. The Foundation will explore possibilities.

Foundation:

The October event saw between 270-280 people in attendance. Grossed more than \$50,000.00, which will go into the endowment.

2nd parenting program coming up on November 17.

The Foundation is sending out an annual appeal. There is a donor who pledged to match donations up to \$30,000.00

New Business:

Nancy received a letter from the Massachusetts Library System, commending and thanking Esme for being a part of their Teen Summit event. Letter is attached to these notes. Len has requested a copy of this letter.

Staff appreciation: Esme spoke with staff and suggested a post holiday party, with food provided and possibly gift cards. The decision was tabled until our December meeting.

Motion to Adjourn at 9:04 pm Bob motioned, Lily Seconded.

Respectfully Submitted

Sarah Sogigian

November 26, 2014