

Goodnow Library Board of Trustees

Minutes

Tuesday, November 1, 2016, 7:00pm

Small Conference Room, Goodnow Library, 21 Concord Road

Attendance: Lily Gordon, Esmé Green, Robert Iuliano, Susan Johnson, Barbara Pryor, Marie Royea.

Absent: Alan Gordon

Bob called the meeting to order at 7:10pm.

Call to order and vote to approve minutes of October 4, 2016 meeting: the minutes were not ready in time for the meeting and will be presented at the December meeting.

Director's Report:

Financial Report: Esmé presented the financial report for review. We are approximately 33% into the fiscal year. There is nothing unusual to report.

Facilities:

- There was a small flood in the library on Friday, September 23rd. Jim Kelly, alerted by flooding in his yard, called the Fire Department and headed over just as the water crested the ramp to the front doors. He and Esmé met with the new DPW director at the library and looked at several options for preventing flooding in the future.
- There has been some progress with gaining access to parking in the adjacent lot. The property manager is willing to allow employee parking, as long as the town handles snow removal and provides an insurance certificate.

Library news: Esmé has been contacted by a member of the Wayland Library planning committee, who is asking for information about the Goodnow Library renovation in 1999. Lily offered to get in touch with her and see what information she can provide.

Trustees Report:

Update on authority of elected town boards in relation to that of the town manager: Bob and Chuck talked since the last meeting. Chuck would like to find middle ground. He wants to talk with the other Selectmen about it, so it will probably be on an upcoming agenda, but we don't know yet when. Bob isn't sure what purpose this will serve, as the trustees do not want to fight the legal issue, and instead would put it to the town to decide whether to amend the charter or not. What are the steps to getting it on the warrant? Barbara will find out what the deadline is; Bob will word the article with the input of town counsel. Work to put together the message and get support from various town groups.

Foundation Report:

Update on Reimagining the Second Floor project: Esmé, Barbara, Helen, Sam and Jim Kelly met in October to discuss the permitting, plans and agreement to do the work on the second floor. Jim will speak with the Permanent Building Committee. The Foundation has a "Look

book" that will be used to raise money for the project. At this point, we are estimating that the work will be done next summer.

Latest Plans and Pricing: we are waiting for the architect to finish the plans and we continue to work on pricing for furnishings and equipment, including a glass wall that will potentially be very expensive.

Sudbury Foundation Grant: Mary Serr is writing a grant (to be submitted by the library) for approximately \$30K to support the second floor project.

Old business - none

New Business - none

Any other items not known 48 hours in advance of the meeting - none

Adjournment: Susan made a motion to adjourn at 7:55pm. Seconded by Lily. So voted.

Next meeting: December 6, 2016