

Goodnow Library
Board of Trustees
Tuesday, January 10, 2006
Goodnow Library, Small Conference Room
7:30 p.m.

Minutes

Joint Meeting with the Friends at 7:30

The joint meeting went well. The trustees reviewed preliminary data drawn from the user survey.

Present: Bob Iuliano (chair), Lily Gordon, Carolyn Anderson, Barbara Pryor, Carol Hull, Jill Browne and Bill Talentino

1. Call to Order and Minutes. The meeting was called to order at 8:10.

2. Financial Report (Dec. FY06): No problems or unusual trends to report.

3. Director's Report:

a) FY07: the Town Manager's recommended budget for FY07 funds all of the Library's level service cost increases and recommends a \$5,000 increase in the Library Materials budget. The budget includes a COLA increase for staff. It does not support any of the enhanced service requests – additional hours and so on.

b) Holiday Closings: recommend that Goodnow revise the formula regarding New Year's Eve. Currently the Library closes at 5 p.m. on N.Y. Eve - whether we are regularly scheduled to close at 5 or 9. Staff suggested that we consider closing at 3p.m. or 4p.m. Goodnow serves few people after 3p.m. on New Year's Eve. Without seriously compromising service, it would allow those staff members working the afternoon shift to arrive home a little earlier and get their plans for the evening underway. The board voted to close at 3p.m on New Year's Eve. (C. Anderson/J. Browne)

c) Approve/Sign Annual Report: the trustees signed the approved Report.

d) Meeting with Larry O'Brien: due to budget meetings Larry will not be able to meet with us for several months.

e).Fines FYO: Bill pointed out that Goodnow's fines, particularly maximum fines, are much lower than most MLN libraries.

f). Third Quarter Trust Fund Report: Bill has not followed up on the proposal to consolidate the smaller trust funds.

4. Trustees Report:

A). Randy LeSage Art Proposal: Carol Hull reported on a proposal from Randy LeSage, a staff employee and artist. Randy is interested in creating a number of abstract paintings of library scenes for Goodnow. The trustees expressed interest in seeing preliminary drawings and descriptions –dimensions etc. Carol will contact Randy.

5. Old Business: Mark Thompson loaded the analysis software and survey data on Karen Tobin's PC last week. She will be reviewing the software manual this week. She hopes to be able to produce correlations soon.

6. New Business: none

7. Adjournment: 9p.m. (B. Pryor/C. Anderson)