

Marlborough Public Library Board of Trustees
Meeting Minutes

June 7, 2016
Bigelow Auditorium, Marlborough Public Library

Meeting called to order by Rustin Kyle at 7:06pm

Board Members Present: Tom Abel, Nena Bloomquist, William Brewin, Raymond Johnson, Rustin Kyle, Janice Merk, and Robyn Ripley

Also Present: Margaret Cardello, Library Director

Absent: Ray Hale

Proceedings:

1. **Minutes:** A motion to approve the meeting minutes from the May 3rd meeting was passed (Johnson/Kyle).
2. **Trust Fund Reports:** A motion was passed to approve the Trust Fund Reports for May (Abel/Bloomquist).
3. **Director's Report:** (see attached for more details)
 - Margaret will be serving on the Designer Selection Board (DSB) for the city to review and the top choose architects to be finally selected by the mayor. The mayor will negotiate directly for the architect's fee and Margaret will need access to funds for this fee over the summer. A motion was passed to grant the Library Director authority to spend up to \$75,000 from State Aid Funds for the architect's fee as negotiated by the mayor.
 - Once an architect has been selected a press release will be released to update the community on the progress towards new library space.
 - There has been progress on getting wireless cameras installed. IT has been testing systems to alleviate concerns over security and has possibly found a workable solution.
 - The Aldrich Astronomical Society, with a sponsorship from Math Works in Natick, has made a telescope available for loan to the community. It arrived May 11 and the details of how to circulate it are being worked out.
 - Margaret and 3 other library staff attended the Massachusetts Library Association conference in Hyannis during the week of May 16. Sessions on library design, collection development, and business support were attended and a detailed report is attached.
 - The ***MetroWest Daily News*** printed a notice of the Library Trustee Scholarship awards but no photo was included with it. It's possible ***The Main Street Journal*** may have printed it with a photo, however.

- A patron may contact the board regarding the value of the library's Harry Potter books, which he believes to be quite high. However, staff have researched his claim and have not found the books to be any more valuable than most library books.

4. **Committee Reports:**

- Foundation: The last meeting was small but lively. Research on what other libraries have done for fundraising revealed that few have used professional fundraisers and those that did were not completely satisfied. There were a lot of good ideas garnered from other library fundraising committees. The next meeting will focus on planning a kick-off event for October.
- Friends: (see attached for more details) The Friends have approved a mission statement change to more accurately reflect their arts and culture programming. The new mission statement will be revealed shortly.

5. **Old Business:**

- Building Committee
 - Discussed previously with the Director's Report.

6. **New Business:**

- None

7. **Adjournment:** A motion to adjourn passed at 7:51pm (Johnson/Brewin).

Minutes submitted by Secretary Robyn Ripley.