

MINUTES
LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES SPECIAL MEETING
Tuesday, March 8 2016

Attendance: Trustees: Sona Hoisington, Warren Turner, David Church, Marian Goode; Ellen Snoeyenbos, Library Director, April McDermott, Assistant Director

The meeting was called to order at 5:45 by David Church, Chair.

Minutes – Minutes from Jan. 13, Feb. 2, and Feb 18, 2016 were reviewed and accepted unanimously.

Review of all reports: Director's, Circulation, Finance, and Children's. Finances are in good shape, we may have some surpluses in heating and electricity that we could use for long-overdue improvements.

Unfinished Business: Budget presentations went well. Ellen defended the voted budget but also gave the Finance Committee two lesser options that we could live with. Discussion of Capital Warrant Articles for painting interior of library and HUB estimate for upgrading the wifi and Internet access in building took place. Trustees voted unanimously to send these two Capital Budget Requests forward for Town Meeting Warrant. Capital Article Requests total: \$14,123. Ellen will submit and explain next week.

Discussion of weeding project and the re-organization of some of the non-fiction collections to make them more browse-able. Starting with Biographies. Talked about funny ways to promote the collection including a cardboard Elvis!

New Business- Trustees are looking to change Trustees' meeting date from second Tuesdays at 5:45 p.m. to second Wednesday at 5:45 p.m. Marian needs to check her commitments before we confirm this. Discussion of Tech Focus Group field trip to Ames Free Library in Easton. David Church gave a complete summary. Lots of enthusiasm about providing new services and experiences in library.

Discussion of new electronic resources such as Universal Class which can be accessed from home via WBPL library card. Also Ancestry.com seems popular. All these new services must be promoted. Ideas about how to do that are very welcome.

Warren has looked into having Boy Scouts build an open shed for the outdoor compressors to protect them from the elements. Ellen will call Pierce and have them advise.

6:45pm Warren Turner moved to adjourn the meeting, Sona Hoisington second the motion, AIF.

Next meeting will be Wednesday, April 13, 2016 at 5:45pm. – unless this doesn't work for members.

Submitted by: Ellen Snoeyenbos, Library Director