

GILMANTON CORNER PUBLIC LIBRARY
Board of Trustees Meeting
March 13, 2017

Attendees

Trustees: Deb Chase, Donna White, Martha Levesque
Librarian: Deborah Nielsen
Alternates: Sue Christie

Call to Order

The Chair, Deb Chase, called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m.

Review/Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the January board meeting were reviewed with some minor corrections. Sue moved approval of the minutes & Martha seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Deb Nielsen gave the Treasurer's report in Liz's absence. Treasurer's Report was accepted as read.

Librarian's Report

MONTHLY LIBRARY STATISTICS: January/February

Patrons Adults...42/43...Patrons Children...0/1
Adult Books...18/26...Children's Books...1/0
YAB...8/0 JUV B...1/1
Videos...1/2... CDS...3/1 Museum Passes...0/0 Mag...0/0
New Members...2/2 #Days Opened...9/11 #Volunteer Hours.... 66/22 +/-month

In **January**, we lost one week due to renovations, but the results have had rave reviews. Also in January, we decided to have an open house on the 28th, we had a few patrons but we were graced with the majority of our volunteers, what an amazing group. The press may not have showed up but we were blessed to have some past volunteers return to volunteer again. So it was a win-win.

We received a signed copy of Fritz Weatherbees book "New Hampshire Milestones"

While finalizing the open house I met with Lori from Gilmanton Historical Society in hopes to find more photos, articles, or anything from the library that we didn't have. She offered to look into this for us.

I met with Deb Cornett and went over the town website and the library will now take over our section and keep it updated.

I did purchase a few books for the open house. There also was expense with advertising.

February's theme will start with a Presidents Display, special thanks goes out to Marcia's husband for lending his collection to us for display (with a little flair from Deb Nielsen) a very impressive collection.

February's project- Inventory all books!.

In **February** there were a couple days we were closed due to weather. However, we made it up the rest of the days we were open. I am pleased to announce that our 2014, 2015, and 2016 minutes are on the towns website now.

Our 2016 overdue books are down to just a couple=awesome.

Possibly removing the gas stove and replacing it with more shelves, work area, or something in its place.

I did have the great pleasure to talk with a young lady who is an avid reader and she gave me a list of some books we should get. I did take this list and buy some of these books she suggested.

March's theme will start with Dr. Seuss's birthday celebration and then on to St. Patrick's Day, moving into spring-Easter-Earth Day and Library week celebration for April.

Coming in May-actually May 3rd (Wednesday) David Nielsen will do a presentation on the Old Man of the Mountain. This will be sponsored by our library, needs to be approved by town to use hall.

As you know I stated that February's project was going to be inventory all books! Well I have done all the fiction, YA fictions and the paperbacks. There was a concern as there are some books on the shelves that aren't in the computer but on the flip side there are some books that aren't on the shelves but in the computer. We also have no books in

storage for the July sale.

We need to talk about patrons using the computer-if this is allowed we need to set up a policy.

I'd like to thank Butch White for coming to my rescue and shoveling out our propane tank so Eastern Propane could deliver and for Donna White for donating a new wireless keyboard and mouse.

It is with great sadness to report the passing of our longtime volunteer, Phyllis Buchanan, she will be greatly missed.

Old Business

Open House was a success! Wonderful visitors and wonderful cookies and coffee and many thanks to all. So many were impressed with the back room, appeared so large and bright>

New Business

We need to replace our air conditioner; perhaps we could put this in our yearly fundraiser letter. It is time to go over our donor list and collate with our patron list. Deb Chase brought her first draft of fund raising letter and we reviewed with some changes, she will revise and send to us for approval.

Bill Foster came by representing GYRL and asked if we would keep their cards available to hand out to any of our patrons that want to use e-books. We decided to table this till next month.

Closing

There being no further business to conduct, Donna moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting stood adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

The next meeting of the Trustees is scheduled for 9:00 a.m., April 10, 2017 at the library.

Respectfully submitted,
Donna M. White
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