

Babcock Library Board of Trustees
Minutes of Regular Board Meeting of February 24, 2015

In attendance: Board members Helen Chapman, Gerald Nagy, Catherine Sampson, Suzanne Smith, Barbara Zulick, Library Director Ginny Moses, Friends President Beth Fitzroy. Absent: Anne Lojzim.

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 2:09 pm.

Secretary's Report:

Catherine moved and Suzanne seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the November 25, 2014 Regular meeting. Motion passed.

Suzanne moved and Catherine seconded a motion to approve the minutes of the January 6, 2015 special meeting. Motion passed.

Treasurer's Report:

Barbara moved and Helen seconded a motion to approve the Treasurer's Monthly Report for February, 2015. Motion passed. We are doing fine with 58.39% at 7 months of the budget year spent.

Barbara, Catherine and Gerry attended a meeting with the Board of Selectmen. We were told our departmental budget will be sent to the Board of Finance without BOS input. This is a new procedure. However, we were also told that "we are not going to get it". We were warned to expect to have to make reductions—in the number of our employees or in the number of days we are open. On April 7th there will be a public hearing on the town budget. Prior to that in March we may be requested to meet with the Board of Finance.

Correspondence:

As instructed by the Board of Finance we submitted a Library Report for the FY2013/14 town annual report which the BOF is assembling. .

Library Director's Report Jan.6-Feb23:

- **Adult Programs:** 10 at senior visit, 4 at Friday Book Club, 11 at Mystery Book Club, 6-9 knitters at the Wednesday Stitch and Chats, 20 for the January Friday program on Gargoyles of Yale University and 14 for February program Laugh Yoga, 0 for workshop in Social Media.
- **Tot Time:** Averaged 28 children and 17 adults in Jan. and Feb.
- **Children's Programs:** 21 for Whimsical Wednesday, 17 for Out of School and Into the Library, 30 for the Ashford School Preschool
- **Pre-Teen Breakfast and Books Group:** 5

Old Business:

The work on inventory and equipment replacement schedule has been put on hold.

New Business:

The Public Relations Policy review was tabled.

New Business Continued:

Library Director Ginny Moses announced that she has submitted her resignation effective March 25th. She will be taking a position in Portland, Texas to be with her daughter. The Board reviewed and approved an ad which Ginny will immediately place with the Connecticut Library Consortium job network on the internet. We wish Ginny success and happiness in her new endeavor.

Persons to be heard:

There were no persons to be heard.

Update from Friends:

The Friends are willing to cover the cost of new plastic type library cards which would be uniform with other libraries in the area. They will also ask membership to pay for the replacement of the patron computer printer.

Next Meeting: March 24, 2015

The Friends will report on the plastic library card replacement. The Board will use the occasion of our meeting to host a good-bye party for Ginny open to all patrons.

Barbara moved and Suzanne seconded adjournment at 3:22 PM. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen Chapman, Board Secretary