

Olive G. Pettis Library, Goshen, NH
Minutes of Trustees Meeting
December 16, 2014

Roll call and approval of agenda:

Present: Jonathan Purick, Chairperson; Dorothy DeLucia, Vice Chairperson; Trisha LaBossiere, Treasurer; Bea Jillette, Alternate Trustee; Cyndi Phillips, Librarian; Bonnie Belden, Secretary
Absent: Lilyan Wright

Jonathan called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. No changes were made to the agenda. Bea was given voting privileges, due to the absence in one trustee position.

BUSINESS:

1. **Review minutes of November:** Minutes were adopted with no changes.

Treasurer's report:

- Trisha reported that the balance is currently \$4588.26 in the main account, with three checks outstanding. The treasurer's report was accepted.
- In order to use the remaining funds from 2014 for expenses January through March, the balance needs to be encumbered. Bonnie moved and Trisha seconded that the "remaining balance of funds minus outstanding quarter 4 obligations be encumbered for use for the first quarter of 2015, until we receive the first check from town. The encumbered amount will be figured by the treasurer after remaining quarter 4 bills are paid and reported to trustees by the next meeting." The motion passed.

2. **Correspondence:** There was no correspondence to report.

3. **Librarian's Report:** The librarian reported plans and/or follow-up for the following events:

- New Hampshire Humanities Council (NHHC):

The library will sponsor two NHHC programs in the upcoming year. They will be:

- April—*Strange Terrain*
- September---*Family, Memory, Place*
- November---*Digging into Native History*

- Additional adult enrichment:

- The Conservation Commission will also host a program in conjunction with the library on either coyote or bears.
- Workshops on painting will be in January and February.
- A Poet Laureate will speak on poetry writing and epitaphs in April.
- In October, the topic will be genealogy.

- Goshen Glows—"Light the Night": Twenty-eight candles were purchased and are displayed in the town hall, grange, library and fire station.
- Teen Talent Show: The teens would like to hold a talent show in May.
- Santa, Story and Sing-A-Long: This will be held this Saturday, December 20, from 10:00 until 12:00. Two teens are making cookies.
- No Smoking on Library Property: It was pointed out that many libraries have policies that prohibit smoking. Trustees agreed that we should also have this policy. Trisha moved and Dorothy seconded that a policy prohibiting smoking be added to our Operational Policies. The motion passed.

- Memo from Head Law Librarian at NH Supreme Court Law Library: This person has indicated that there is a need policy on sex offenders that requires them to leave premises if there are children present. We are uncertain about whether there are implications for adults. Cindy will look into possible wording for such a policy for our next meeting.
 - Library Service to Homebounds: Cindy and trustees will try to locate our homebound residents and provide the service of bringing books to them. Cindy will contact the paper and post a notice on facebook.
 - Make or Play Workshops: Bobbi Slossar is conducting workshops and invites libraries to borrow kits and do programs.
 - Preschool Program: Four children come every week and are enjoying the story time.
 - Book Groups: The book study groups are now reading books on Franklin Pierce, at the request of a member. The evening group will meet on Jan. 22; the afternoon group will meet on Thursday, January 15.
 - Art Exhibit: The art exhibit from the republic of Georgia is coming around the 9th-12th of January. There was a preliminary discussion about strategies for hanging items.
 - Food Drive: Items are being collected for Christmas distribution.
4. **2015 Budget Update**: The budget has been turned in, but we have not been scheduled for presentation as yet.
5. **Adjournment**: The meeting was adjourned at 8:00. The next meeting is January 21 at 6:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Belden,
Secretary