

Jacob Edwards Library

Minutes of May 18, 2010

The meeting of May 18, 2010 was called to order by Chairwoman Joan Menard at 12:10 PM. Present were trustees Joan Menard, James Puracchio, Paula Dacoles, Dick Whitney, Seth Lajoie and Library Director Margaret Morrissey. Father Peter Joyce arrived at 12:45. Tammie Darling was present to record the minutes. James Puracchio motioned to accept the minutes of the April meeting with a few corrections noted. Dick Whitney seconds. So voted.

At this time, Paula Dacoles began her financial report by stating that there is an ending balance of \$26, 231 with \$10,877 coming in from the Hannah Edwards account and \$10,877 coming in from the Robert Edwards account. She stated that it was possible that the balance would be \$47,665 at the end of May. Paula noted that for the future of the Library, she envisioned an American Optical Room expansion. Dick Whitney supports this idea. Joan Menard wondered if the Trustees should roll some of the money into the endowment account and also spend some. Paula Dacoles suggested using some of the Capital funds to paint the Library. Joan Menard noted that she would like to see small, medium and large proposals for upgrading the Children's Room. Margaret Morrissey would like to add more ports for the computers. She will prepare a proposal for five new computers. Paula Dacoles suggested buying computers and racks for the Children's Room with the capital funds.

Joan Menard began her Chairperson's Report by notifying the Trustees that they have been invited to join ALTAFF, an association of library trustees, etc. Joan also got a notice from the MA Board of Library Commissioners regarding submitting an application for adding on the Library. Paula Dacoles suggested putting the need for the addition in the long range plan. Joan Menard stated that next year should be targeted for researching the footwork on building an addition.

Under the category of old business, the Lenti plaque has been ordered and should be completed shortly. Margaret Morrissey suggested that Sylvia Lenti come to the next Trustee meeting for the unveiling of the plaque. Joan Menard suggested June 15, 2010 for the unveiling. Regarding the long range plan, Joan noted that she found a PowerPoint presentation to show the attendees why they are attending the meeting. Handouts will be given at the long range meeting and people will break down into small groups to brainstorm and discuss their vision for the library. Peter Joyce also suggested collecting written ideas. Margaret Morrissey will order food from Zoe's for the event and create name tags for everyone in attendance.

Margaret Morrissey went over her Library Director's Report, including statistics for April 2010 and upcoming programs. Paula Dacoles motioned to adjourn the meeting at 1:10, Dick Whitney seconded. So voted. The next meeting will be held on June 15, 2010 at 12pm.