

WAREHAM FREE LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES OF MEETING, TUESDAY, JUNE 8, 2010

1. Meeting called to order at 6:02 and Chaired by Johnna Fredrikson

Present: Leie Carmody

Kathleen Furler

Jack Houton

Martha Strachan

Loey Vieira

Johnna Fredrikson

Tom Wavro

Marcia Griswold, Acting Library Director

Guests: Mary Nyman, Kathy Gleason, Mickie Heath, Nora Bicki

2. Public Comments: Mickie Heath, read a statement related to her resignation from the Board as the interim chairperson and asked that it be filed with the minutes.

Mary Nyman commented and expressed delight in reviewing the library goals especially the one referring to public relations. She urged the trustees to respond to the untruths recently written in an article in the Wareham Observer.

Kathy Gleason stated that the Friends of the WFL have recently submitted a Memorandum of Understanding and are hopeful of resuming their monthly book sales. She stressed how fund raising was a major function and over the years have given substantially to the WFL including assisting in compensation when asked to do so. Eager to answer any questions the trustees might have and offer the Friends e-mail address: FriendsWFL@Gmail.com

3. Minutes of the last meeting were reviewed and with corrections, accepted.. Kate Furler, so moved, seconded by Leie Carmody, all favored the motion, except Jack Houton who abstained.

* 6. Acting Director's Report

Because Marcia Griswold had to leave the meeting early she reported at this juncture.

She reported that the library is on target to meet all of its goals. We are still in need of volunteers for the June 26th event, Family Day at the Library.

4. Old Business

a. By Laws: Previously forwarded to town administrators, we are awaiting review. Jack Houton offered to check with the TA's office. There followed a brief discussion about the election of officers which should take place in June. In the absence of by-laws a motion was unanimously passed, motion by Martha Strachan, second by Jack Houton to hold them at our July meeting

b. Search for New Director

As reported previously the Town Administrator has recused himself from the process of selection. Thus a committee of town functionaries, and the subcommittee of trustees will conduct a round of interviews of five candidates. There followed a brief discussion of what was believed the major criteria that should be considered during the interview. As well, there was some discussion about the final selection process with varied opinions expressed.

c. Status of Memo of Understanding - Friends of WFL and the Foundation

A Memorandum of Understanding has been submitted by the Friends of WFL Copies will be e-mailed to all trustees for review and discussion at our next meeting.

5. New Business

a. Standing Committees Reports

1' Development & Planning

Jack Houton has several documents used by the Trustees of the Provincetown Library which he will distribute to the trustees.

2' Policy Committee

Kate Furler has asked for library policies that cover day to day to operating practices.

General comments:

Leie Carmody has forwarded material to the town's Computer department.

Discussion around the work of standing committees: their work should be presented to the trustees as a whole for further consideration and action.

Martha Strachan reminded the group that changes called for by the State's Open Mtg Laws are to be implemented July 1, 2010.

Workshops and other educational opportunities currently available to the Trustees by various state Library organizations should be made known. Leie Carmody will update trustees by e-mail.

7. Trustee Matters

The terms of three trustees expire at the end of the month of June. Martha Strachan and Tom Wavro have requested reappointment. Loey Vieira will be resigning because of excessive demands on her time..

The selectmen have again forwarded for review a candidate for trusteeship. It will be returned without review as has been the past practice.

Trustee Johnna Fredrikson will continue on as the interim chairperson and specified that she will remain while bringing to closure the following items: a new director; review and acceptance of Board by-laws; and the filling of trustee vacancies. She will continue to strive for a good working relationship with all those who interface with the WFL.

Trustee Jack Houton suggested that orientation packets be prepared for newly appointed trustees

8. Public matters: Kathleen LaFlamme is the new joint coordinator of volunteers assisting Leie Carmody.

9. Next meeting time, by motion of Leie Carmody, seconded by Martha Strachan was changed from 6 pm to 4-5:30 pm, thus accommodating several requests to do so. Date and place remain the same: Tuesday, June 22nd, Multi Service Center.

Motion to adjourn by Martha Strachan, seconded by Leie Carmody, passed unanimously at 7:10.

Respectfully submitted,

Tom Wavro

Minutes voted upon, Tuesday, June 22, 2010

Approved / Disapproved

Johnna Fredrikson
Acting Chairperson

Tom Wavro
Secretary