

Olivia Rodham Memorial Library - DRAFT

Minutes of the February 19, 2014 Board of Trustees Meeting

Submitted by Linda Cates

Call to Order - Present: Linda Cates, Laurie Smith, Tom Tolman, Sue Kingsbury and Kris Finnegan.
Unable to Attend: Carol Raynor.

Approval of Minutes - Minutes of the January meeting were approved.

Correspondence - Sue sent a thank you note to the Aldersons and will send one to Susan Hansel for Friends of the Library. No additional thank you notes this month.

Treasurer's Report - Laurie presented the Treasurer's report, including checks paid, gifts received, and transfers made. We received \$1,000 from Friend of the Library and \$100 from the Aldersons. We have not yet received our check from the NH Charitable Trust.

Laurie requested and the Board approved that the account "Gates Grant 2009" be closed as the balance is zero.

OLD BUSINESS

Library Basement Project

The Board agreed to donate the following amounts to the fundraising effort currently underway to complete the Library basement:

The \$5,000 gift we received in honor of Carol Heath, which we thought would be particularly appropriate as she was so active in the annual Friends of the Library book sale which involved a lot of time in the basement each summer. The \$2,603.16 that has been collected at Library Summer Forums specifically for the purpose of finishing the basement. In addition, there is \$995.64 in the Town Trust Fund that belongs to the Library. We will ask the Selectmen to designate that amount be contributed to the fundraising effort to complete the Library basement. Linda will write a letter to the Selectmen.

Game Night

The Board discussed possible reasons that attendance at Game Night has been down this year. We will make some adjustments next year, perhaps back to once a month for three months. Linda will attend Game Night on February 20. Tom and Sue will attend March 6. No one is available for March 20 and we may cancel that one depending on turnout for the next two Game Nights. If we cancel March 20, we will need to notify Gordon and Candyce, and take down signs and flyers.

NEW BUSINESS

Kris presented statistics from the NH Library Association showing where the Library ranks compared to other Libraries of similar size. We rank at the top in number of programs and attendance at programs and in the upper quartile on most other criteria, for example circulation and patron visits. We asked Kris for more information on per capita library budgets and per capita town contributions. (Laurie would also like more statistical information on Library Director salaries.)

NEXT MEETING - Wednesday, March 12, 2014