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June 15th, 2017

Regular Meeting – Board of Trustees

Present: Cathe McCall, Diane McCall, Maureen McCall, Kathy Chesmer, Berkeley Nowosad, Michelle Kersey and Library Director Julie Culp
Absent: Mary Withey, Judy Vertefeuille and Darlene Boirie

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 by the chairman, Cathe McCall.

Minutes to the May 18th, 2017 meeting – Motion (M. Kersey/D. McCall) to accept the minutes as presented. The motion carried with none opposed and one abstention.

Correspondence – None to address.

Director's Report – Julie reported

- Circulation is down but no different than anywhere else; it tends to fluctuate with the economy.
- The deliverIT program will be suspended from June 19th through July 17th for reorganization so there will be no borrowing between libraries during that time. After that, three bins will be delivered to each library five days a week which may be a problem for the larger libraries due to their larger number of patrons.
- Programming: Adult summer reading will run from July 3rd through August 21st and there will be a variety of prizes donated by the Friends Of JTL. The next adult program will be held on June 22nd at 6:30 – *The Not-So-Great life of the Colonial Goodwife*. On July 10th at 6:30 will be a Medicare boot camp and on Thursday, August 3rd at 6:30 *Through Hiking the Appalachian Trail* will be presented. August 14th the Connecticut Author Trail stops here with Karen Olsen presenting.
- Amber Safari, our cleaning person, has submitted her resignation but Kathy Plante expressed an interest in taking on the job as an independent contractor.
- Linda Slate is due back on Monday, June 19th, but may begin with shortened hours.
- All of the summer reading programs are in place.
- Alicia Talarico has resigned and it will be hard to replace her. The Device Night events that she facilitated were well received and Alicia was a wizard and helped all comers, as well as doing flyers, publications and anything else along those lines. She will be coming in on alternate Wednesdays for a time, Denise Peay will be available now that school is out and Carol Faustman is available days so Alicia's time will be covered until her replacement is found, ideally someone with the technical skills we are looking for.

- Julie attended the Selectmen's special meeting with West Town Street residents. Jerry Stephan was present as well as the lawyers and in all, about forty people were in attendance. It was not a contentious meeting and was called so that the residents would be brought up to date on the issues concerning the town getting quiet title to parcels of land that it needs.

Sub-Committee Reports

- Bylaws – nothing to report
- Budget – doing okay
- Facilities – Jason will be installing window air conditioning units in the fireplace room and in the meeting room. What is currently in place is inadequate at this time. There are other things that ought to be done but aren't 100% necessary such as doors that could use some paint.
- Personnel – nothing to report
- Friends – their next meeting is scheduled for August 17th which is the third Thursday. Cathe reported that our own meeting will be canceled. Julie met with three of the four executives who were at the last book reading and they agreed that the Friends will pay for the summer reading prizes.
- Trust Fund – No updates at this point. Some have heard that other organizations have received their requests or a portion of their requests but we have heard nothing. Julie will do some checking.
- Building Committee – nothing to report

Unfinished Business

Library Trends – Julie read up on trends in the Library Journal. Maker tools such as button makers, 3-D printers, cameras and video equipment, laminators and sewing machines were the top listed. Julie has set up an adult coloring station and will bring out jigsaw puzzles in the winter. Discussion followed. Perhaps we can get a volunteer to run a craft program once a month or bi-monthly. We could advertise 'do you have a skill and want to share it?' or 'Teach your Talent'. People like to make something and have something to take home. Michelle will look up fun adult holiday craft projects. We would need to advertise using our usual outlets but Julie expressed her wish that we could get the schools to get the students to take home such announcements.

New Business – None

Hearing no other business, motion made (M. McCall/M. Kersey) to adjourn at 7:49. The motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Maureen D. McCall, Secretary