

**WEBSTER PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEE MINUTES
May 12, 2010**

Present: Peter Knapp Don Lewis, Mary Alice Moore, Terri Bennett, Roxanne Emler, Lisa Scibetta

Absent: Annemarie Santoro, Carol Cooper

Guests: Mark Johns, Town Board liaison, Adrienne Furness, Children's and Family Services Librarian, Bobbie Broussard, Friends representative

Peter Knapp, President called the meeting to order at 7:00.

The April board minutes were reviewed Don Lewis moved and Roxanne Emler seconded the approval of the minutes. The minutes passed unanimously.

Friends of WPL Report: Bobbie Broussard reviewed the success of the Friends book sale and said that membership night only was very popular with 62 renewal and new memberships sold. The profits from the sale were \$6,718.87.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Terri thanked the Friends for their continued support and dedication to WPL. Terri will be attending Construction Grant meeting. WPL is interested in applying for funds to help cover the cost of upgrading our HVAC to an automated logic control system. The grant will not be available until 2011 but if awarded the grant would pay for 50% of the cost of the system.

Terri announced that the Central Library has decided to close on Sundays and perhaps needing to slash materials budget and eliminate a full time librarian. They have experienced flat funding for the 8th year in a row. The Central Library is funded by the County of Monroe

WPL has purchased a Nook and an E-reader for staff to use in order to familiarize themselves with this technology. This is becoming very popular in the community and staff needs to know how to use them in order to answer questions.

Adrienne Furness our Children's and Family Services Librarian discussed how the Children's librarians continue to adapt and address the needs of the community. One facet of change that she mentioned was that story time is now on a drop in basis rather than scheduled times. There is also a public access story time on Saturday mornings at 9:30. This public access story time will be enhanced with the purchase of a new camera and lights in order to make better videos. All material used on the televised story times is copy write free material so much preparation goes into the production of each story time. The librarians are interfacing with Facebook and Twitter to get the programming news to the community. Adrienne also mentioned that there is an active Library club comprised of Tweenagers at WPL.

The Webster Library is very fortunate to have such dedicated and innovative children's librarians! Thank you Adrienne and Jason.

FINANCIAL REPORT: April bills totaling \$20,198.60 were reviewed by the board. Mary Alice moved, Lisa seconded and the board voted unanimously to approve the payment of the bills. Total fee revenue for April was \$9,780.96. This represents 1.03% more than the same time period last year. Thank you Carol for presenting a comprehensive report in your absence.

New Business: Terri reported that the WPL charter revision will hopefully go the Regents at the June 21 meeting. We may start the 501c3 process even though the charter revision is not yet approved. Discussion followed regarding issues and questions of WPL fund raising. The discussion regarding fund raising will continue at the next trustee meeting.

At 8:25 Roxanne moved and Lisa seconded and the board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, June 9, 2010

**Respectfully submitted,
Mary Alice Moore**