

Moretown Memorial Library
Board of Trustees Meeting
November 12, 2015
TO BE APPROVED

In attendance: Sarah Nussbaum, Jennifer Tripp Mead, Elizabeth Burt (recording), Karen Sharpwolf

7:02 Call to Order

7:02 Public Comment
None

7:05 Treasurer's Report

We are right on target with overall expenses. Personnel and expenditures at 80%.

Report Approved.

7:15 Secretary's Report

Report Approved.

7:20 Librarian's Report

- Circulation and visit numbers are down. We aren't sure why but are not overly concerned
- Storytime is going well. We are seeing a lot of different faces, not many repeat visitors.
- Try it Here First programs going well. Next one is December 3rd, then we will take a break for a while.
- Documentary screening was a lot of work. Perhaps not worth showing given effort for only 10 attendees.
- We are cohosting VT Humanities "Vermont History Through Song" event.
- Mrs. Claus will be coming to visit in December.
- The Friends have been paying for books. We still have funding left to spend.
- Sarah and Elizabeth attended the CLIF conference in September. Sarah found it inspirational. We should consider: 1. Lending things other than books; 2. Having themed bags for kids; 3. Organizing books by subject.
- Halloween, about 100 kids attended Village events.

- Training. Sarah did a catalog training, but now there is a lull in training. She expects to have 50 credits by the end of this year.

Report Approved.

7:30 New Business

- Budget
 - October meeting minutes approved.
 - Sarah asked that we consider making the librarian's position salaried. Jennifer will look into whether it is okay within federal guidelines.
 - No results available from VLA 2015 survey.
 - Approved budget proposal. Ready to send to Town.
- Trustees
 - Jennifer will likely not run in 2016.
 - Petitions for running at Town Meeting Day are due in early January.
 - We have two interested candidates. Karen and Sarah will follow up with them.
- Terms
 - Changing terms from 5 five year terms to 3 three-year terms and 2 one-year terms.
 - Convert Karen's to expire in 2017 (3 year term).
 - Elizabeth is filling Lauree's term, convert it to end in 2018.
 - New 3-year term to end in 2019.
 - Two one-year terms which would end in 2017.
 - Warn term changes for next meeting.
 - Jennifer checking with Town on timing of proposed changes and petitions for new trustees to be on ballot.
- Library Closing Policy
 - Elizabeth proposes getting notification when Library will close for trainings, conferences, etc. rather than Librarian requesting permission from Trustees.
 - Will need to make the change to rules. Karen will warn the change.
- Bazaar
 - December 5th: Need us to help move books (9am), staff table
 - Karen 9-11:30; Jennifer 11:30-1; Elizabeth 1-2
- Parker Trust update
 - Waiting for Probate Court records to be retrieved. No timeline yet.

- Elizabeth gave an update on the history of George F. Parker. Will check with the Methodist Church about their Trust from him.

8:34 Old Business

None

8:34 Adjourn