

Boyden Library
Board of Trustees
Minutes of Monthly Meeting
Wednesday, February 15, 2012

8:00 pm Welcome and call to order Jeff Lovely.

Attendees: Trustees Jeff Lovely, Janet Pineault, Tom Magee, Kevin Penders, and Ellen Pillsbury. Also present Friends of Boyden Library President Diane Monahan and Kathy Brady; and Library Director Jerry Cirillo.

Consideration of proposal by Joseph Whall re: display of a model of Foxborough Common

The meeting began with further discussion of Mr. Whall's proposal to present the library with a model of the Foxborough Common, which has not been discussed as a board since the January 2nd meeting. Jeff Lovely commented that it is an interesting concept and he plans to make a motion in the positive with the understanding from Mr. Whall that the display comes our way without any conditions; the library controls when, where, and how to display; and it would move in and out of library with the library having exclusive control. Mr. Whall commented that he is creating this display to satisfy his own ambition that the library may do as they wish with the display, and that he would have no responsibility or ownership of the display once he presented it to the library. Mr. Whall explained the display would be approximately 3-1/2 x 5 feet and that he has been studying old maps and photographs to try to get a concept of the measurements for each building. He then displayed the first building he is working on - a model of the Universalist Church. After further discussion, Jeff Lovely made a motion to accept the display upon completion; Janet Pineault seconded; all in favor.

Minutes: The minutes of the January 2, 2012 Trustees meeting were reviewed. Jeff Lovely made a motion to accept; Janet Pineault seconded; all agreed.

Friends' Report:

Diane Monahan reported that the main focus of the Friends at this time is trying to increase their memberships. She also mentioned the Friends are planning a mass mailing of the April issue of the newsletter to all Foxborough households. The Friends are also planning to host Foxborough Reads and will have the details ready for the next newsletter mailing. Diane expressed her appreciation to the Trustees in having a member present at the monthly Friends meetings. After a brief discussion by the Trustees the following attendance schedule was created for the remainder of 2012: March 7 Jeff Lovely, April 4 Tom Magee, May 2 Kevin Penders, June 6 Fran Spillane, no meeting July and August, September 5 Ellen Pillsbury, October 3 Jeff Lovely, November 7 Ellen Pillsbury, no December meeting.

Professional Staff Reports:

The professional staff reports for January 2012 were reviewed followed by a brief discussion on the circulation statistics and the number of patrons/lack of patrons visiting the temporary location. Jerry Cirillo commented that is not uncommon for patron visits to decrease at a temporary location during a construction project.

Financial Reports:

The December 2011 financial report was reviewed. Kevin Penders noted the error in the Percentage Expended in the JUV Databases, the correction will be made and a corrected report will be distributed to the Trustees. There was a brief discussion regarding reduced books and materials spending and the possibility of returning cash to the town at the end of the fiscal year.

Director's Report/FY13 Budget Proposal:

The Director's Report was reviewed followed by a discussion of the FY13 budget proposal presented at the AdCom meeting on January 18. Also discussed was the estimate of unexpended funds in FY13 likely to be returned to the town.

Liaison Reports: Selectmen; Advisory Committee – No reports.

Building Addition/Renovation Project Issues and Committee Reports:

- Groundbreaking Ceremony Report – Janet Pineault thanked Tom Magee for doing a great job planning the ceremony which took place on Saturday, January 28.

- Construction Progress Report/Updates from Weekly Construction Meetings – Janet Pineault reported the walls were down and that there is a sense of incredible space with just concrete columns and no walls.

Other Business: None

9:00 pm Tom Magee made a motion to adjourn; Kevin Penders seconded; all agreed.

Respectfully submitted,
Deborah J. Volpini