# Library Board of Trustees

#### Wareham Free Library

Minutes for June 18, 2015

Meeting Location: Wareham Free Library 59 Marion Road

Meeting Time: 5:30 p.m.

1. Call to order: Bethany G., Roger B., Rachel K., Diane O., Wendy Y., Bob W., Johnna F., Melissa D., Jim M., Deb Rich, head of reference and adult services, Cindy Roach, MBLC; 5:29pm

Guests: Kerry Mello, Foundation, Priscilla Porter, Friends, Chris Shott, Wareham Courier

- 2. Public Comment: none
- 3. Review of Previous Minutes
- 4. Welcome Deborah Rich, head of reference and adult services; will serve as liaison between library and town administrator (who is technically running the library)
- 5. MBLC: Cindy Roach (item 2) About director search

no power to hire director, only advisory power

perhaps form the committee or serve on the committee to select library director, being careful of open meeting laws

think about what we as the board want in the process of selection

TA open to Deb Rich (and board?) rewriting job descriptions for library positions. All descriptions to be redone for Town Administrator

attend BOS meetings, tell what's going on at lib.; advocating by informing

Bob urges Bethany to ask for positions on the planning committee for hiring new director

Cindy recommends posting online, w/MBLC, etc. May be looking at someone for part time - end or beginning of career candidates

Cindy recommends we come up with a plan and possible time frame for search, description, etc.

(Jim Mendes leaves, 7pm.)

- 6. Old Business:
  - a. Strategic Plan (Roger B.)

No fee/consultant for recertification of library (1); build endowment and building programs (2) - have consultants come in on this part (strategic plan, etc.). Might come down in early August, then talk with TA.

Jim - consulting group didn't seem to know roles/use of library, or parties involved, who's paying for it, etc. Fundraising focus concerning; Lennox fundraising plan as a resource. Grassroots approach/major donor approach?

#### 7. New Business

- a. Spinney open Monday, July 6, M/W 9-2
- b. Sails Meeting: Melissa future date
- c. Summer Reading Program: July 7th, 10am.kick-off Makepeace grant came through for \$6,000. Story times come back, sub money while Mrs. Hickey does programs. Theme: every hero has a story. Story hour at Spinney, Mondays 9:30am; Music with MAR Tuesdays, 10:30 at main library; Thursday, 10:30, storytime; Lunch with a Hero, bring brown bag lunch (Thursday, noon); every Tuesday there is a story walk. Calendar to come out soon.; interactive leapfrog-like AWE to be set up at library; early learning/reading readiness center for young

children; Bethany will put schedule out to papers, etc., and invite many community members to kick-off; Melissa will put this out at YMCA events, with graphics! Beyond School Time will also advertise. Pool opening at YMCA 6/28.

## 8. Assistant Director Report

Some staffing replacements are in the budget, and positions are posted on the town site and MBLC; two slots open; Library will be open 24hrs at main branch and 10 at Spinney starting in July

## 9. Report-Friends and Foundation

Kerry Mello - survey is done, asks Cindy for other towns' uses of surveys and how they might be used (eg. Milton); beginning of survey process - just ones given out at Town Meeting are back; more now at library to get more participants.

Duck fundraiser on Sunday at Makepeace, \$'s not back yet; quilt made @\$500; July book sale set up Tuesday, sale Thursday, Friday, Saturday (7/9-7/11); will do duck race next year, Makepeace will bring out swan boats next year, more activities available for the event; Friends gave \$10,700 in fiscal year, 2014-2015. Thank you, friends!

### 10. Trustee Matters:

a. Trustee Elections and Goodbyes

Bob W. leaves board and meeting, 6:17pm. Many thanks!

Postpone elections of trustees until next month

- 11. Other
- 12. Date and Hour of next meeting, July 16th, 5:30pm
- 13. Adjournment Move to adjourn, Roger, 2nd, Diane; 7-0-0, adjourned 7:23pm.