

WFL BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES MINUTES

DATE: Thursday, June 18th, 2020

TIME: 12:00 noon

LOCATION: Virtual

Board Members/Attendees Present: Melissa Dyer (Chair), Deanne Bonnar (Secretary), George Ripley (Director), Nancy Rice, Joanne Robertson.

Board Members Absent: Mallory Callanan, Aprilleigh Lauer, Linda Jackson, Selectman

Representative.

Call to Order: 12:11 pm by Mel D.

Review of the Minutes: As there was not a quorum present, the reading/acceptance of the minutes

was postponed until the July meeting.

Announcements: Nothing at this time.

Public Comment: Nothing at this time.

Friends Report: Joanne R. reported that the response to the Friends membership requests has been

very encouraging - \$2,400 received to date.

Foundation Report: There are no new updates due to the Covid 19 pandemic.

Correspondence: Mel D. reminded us that she continues to forward the e-mails from MBLC. She suggested that we go to their web site to stay in touch with their offerings. George reported that the Friends and the Town of Wareham had received a letter urging the library to reopen. The letter had been shared with him. There are probably many people for whom the closing has been a hardship.

Old Business: Mel D. forwarded our "volunteers for shelving" business to our next meeting. It is not possible to go further with plans at this point due to the pandemic. We will keep it on our monthly agenda until we are able to address it again.

New Business: Story Time is on Facebook and the Classics book club is on Zoom. This information needs to be in the local newspapers and on the library website. We need multiple sources of information to keep the public up to date with what is happening at the library.

Director's Report: George R. presented the May report. Check out of digital books has increased to more than 1,700. The library is still waiting for permission from the town to begin curbside pickup.

Throughout the closure staff have been called back gradually. This week they are back full time. Staff is setting up procedures for social distancing and are working with MBLC's reopening plans for libraries. MBLC is meshing their plans with the Governor's, which depend on the data which emerges from each reopening step. At this point the library will be able to have no more than 70 people in the building, including staff.

Trustee Matters: Mel D. gave an update on the Bylaws. The changes have been finished, but they have yet to be sent to the town.

Next Meeting: July 16th, 2020. Monthly we will ask WFL BoLT members what time is best for Zoom meetings in order to maximize attendance.

Motion to Adjourn: 1:18 pm – Motion made by Deanne Bonnar; seconded by Mel Dyer – no quorum, no vote.