

Weeks Public Library Trustees Meeting
February 17, 2009
Minutes

Present: Denise, Mark, Dale, Julie, Kate - briefly an ill Charlie Cummings

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November 25, 2008 meeting unavailable

December 16, 2008 accepted as written

January 6, 2009 - Adele & Kate met with Denise. Lack of quorum due to illnesses so no business was conducted

Director's Report:

1. Vote was unanimously taken to accept \$228. \$150 was a donation which will provide passes to the Boston Museum of Fine Arts.

2. A small laminating machine has been purchased. Denise will check on laminating costs elsewhere (Kinko's, Staples) to help determine reasonable fees to cover required materials and staff time.

Mark suggested printing a reminder in the newsletter of all the services such as this one which can help people save gas, time and money by coming to the Library.

3. Denise is also considering (read as counting change in the donation jar) purchasing a Wii program which has been requested and replacing the much overused digital camera.

4. The Friends of the Library expressed concern about the need for help for the spring plant sale scheduled for May 16. Dale offered to oversee the chili sale; Kate will help dig plants. A Trustee representative (or more) will try to attend the next Friends meeting on March 9th.

Old Business

The seat knocked from its supports in the Ice Storm of 2008 remains frozen in place and will have to be attended to in the spring.

Removal of the frozen downspout drain and a temporary diverter has eliminated any further ice buildup and flooding of the Children's room when the sun shines.

The Town Warrant articles were discussed. Mark and Dale are prepared to speak to the 2 articles impacting the Library at Town Meeting. Dale suggested providing pictures to support the use of funds expended from last year's expendable trust fund.

Mark suggested several ways that we can make a public plea for support of the capital reserve fund which has not been recommended by the budget committee.

Denise will include mention of these articles in the March newsletter.

The motion was made, seconded and passed that the Trustees will provide the same employment benefit to permanent part time employees (numbering 1) if this article passes at Town Meeting.

Next Meeting: March 17, 2009