

Mary L. Blood Library Trustees' Meeting  
AUGUST 18, 2016

Present: Trustees Tom Kenyon, Richard Beatty, John Cocke & Chris Wagner; and Librarian of the Mary L. Blood Library Jennifer Rathburn Tobias. Edson Pierce was absent.

Meeting commenced at 4:07 pm.

Minutes of July 28, 2016, were considered and accepted.

Librarian's Report for August 2016:

Not much to report this month. Recent book donations have been incorporated into our collection after several weeks on the "new" shelves. We did, however, receive 4 books (3 adult and 1 children's) from Mary Anne Boyce who is thinning out her collection. All are very good books and I'm pleased to have them. Phoned Charlotte LeClair 2 weeks ago in regards to opening the library on Friday evenings (as a volunteer for now), but she has not yet returned my call.

Respectfully submitted,  
Jennifer Tobias

Old Business:

(1) Tom updated the Trustees on the Restroom project. He noted we have received the bill for the door and wall. This is the first thing to be done so the fixtures can be installed by the plumber. Tom also noted the plumber was contacted to let him know the water line can be run anytime between the parsonage and the basement of the library. Also the furnace is working well and the maintenance completed by Dead River so replacement of the furnace is postponed for now. Tom noted since the stove pipe was replaced he thought the furnace was fine for now.

(2) The librarian noted we have not any response to our looking for a magazine rack. John suggested we may have to have a local carpenter make one. 2' by 6'?

(3) Tom noted the treasurer reports as of today: The checkbook stands at \$548.09, the MM has \$2462.17, and we still have \$16,000 coming to us from the Town via Town Meeting. This should cover the restroom project expenses.

New Business:

(1) Discussed the "automating" of the library book system. We would need two scanners, one dedicated computer, and one other computer. There will be software expenses, bar code labels. It was thought this would make a good winter project.

(2) We have had inquiries about additional employees and volunteers. It was noted Charlotte Le Clair and John's wife Penny have expressed interest. Jennifer will continue as librarian for awhile.

(3) John raised the question of a fundraiser. Noting the last fundraiser was (a) for the restroom and (b) to encourage more readers. There was discussion over who might chair this project.

Next meeting is at 4 pm at MLB Library on Thursday, September 15.

Tom Kenyon, Secretary