

Mary L. Blood Library Trustees' Meeting
July 20, 2017

Present: Trustees Tom Kenyon, Mary Anne Boyce, Edson Pierce, Richard Beatty; and Librarian Mary Jane Wentworth,.

Excused: Chris Wagner

Meeting commenced at 4:07 pm.

Minutes of June 15, 2017, were considered and accepted.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT
JULY 20, 2017

The July 4th Book Sale was a great success, earning \$360.82. Our volunteers organized the books for display and signs were made for each category. Because the Old Home Day festivities were centered toward this end of town more people made their way to the book sale.

There are many books left over and in the coming weeks we will weed through them, sort them, and discard some. Mary Anne Boyce and Katrina Hill have offered to help. Katrina has also offered to do some extra cleaning at the library (after the bathroom installation and other jobs are done).

The number of people visiting the library has been low this past month. I am working on our library Facebook page and will continue to urge people to come in.

Mary Anne has prepared a draft of the automation proposal. I think she has covered every aspect and she will present it to the trustees at our July meeting.

We have received a letter from the Kellogg-Hubbard Library in Montpelier, saying we owe a book entitled "Explorers of the Infinite: the Secret Spiritual lives of Extreme Athletes – And What They Reveal". This book was due July 9, 2013. I have searched our cards for overdue books and can find nothing. They are charging us a \$27.00 fine. What would be the best way to handle this? I have already emailed them saying we don't have it.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Jane Wentworth

Note: Board agreed to pay the \$27 fine,

Old Business:

(1) Tom noted Corrections is here and the work has commenced on the rest room. (2) Tom again stated the Rest Room project is still set to commence using Corrections along with Dave Silvester, A & T Plumbing. Some furnace duct work will be needed. (3) No additional word

from Chris on the fundraising letter. It was suggested the letter be changed to reflect changes in perhaps using the Catamount system for management automation of books. (4) Tom did not have an update on the library's financials because the librarian is on vacation but no great change since the last report. (5) Board discussed again the proposed "Automation of our books" and the Librarian and Trustee Mary-Anne Boyce will continue their investigation and reported the Catmount was their recommendation. Automation will allow many more to use our library without physically having to be in the building thanks to the computer age. They did think the Catamount system was preferred even though it cost around \$1500 plus it is used in the Reading, Hartland, and Springfield libraries. (6) Board was updated (All is well) on the Book Sale on July 4 as part of Old Home Day celebration. The book sale was held outside the library from around 9:00 a.m. until after the parade. Volunteers to assist. (7) Tom noted "Old Home Day" is exempt from a public gathering permit and fees. We will participate in 2018. It was suggested a better location for the music. (8) Trustees still with the donated flag pole going next the Blood Monument. Corrections will install soon. No action taken

(2) It was noted the crosswalk sign still blocks the view to the north for people going down the library ramp. Tom noted he had informed the highway foreman the sign should be moved closer to crosswalk. No action yet.

New Business:

(1) Next meeting is Thursday, August 17 at 4:00 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 4:58.

Tom Kenyon, Secretary