

Freetown Board of Library Trustees
Minutes of the Tuesday, September 16, 2014 Meeting
James White Memorial Library, East Freetown, Mass.



Present: Irene Ashley, Vince Kyne, Mike McCue, Christine Paiva, Lucille Rosa, and Joe Zinni.

Also Present: Dorothy Stanley-Ballard.

Call to order: Chairman Lucille Rosa called the meeting to order at 7:00p.

Approval of Minutes, Review of Payroll, Signing of Bills

The minutes of June 17th were approved. Bills were reviewed and signed as needed.

Library Director's Report

The materials circulation report for the summer months showed a significant drop in circulation statistics from the same period in 2013. It was noted that statistics were down across the board for libraries in the SAILS network.

Patron programs during the summer months included Ed the Wizard and Story Hour. Both programs had decent attendance and seemed successful. Consideration is being given to adding another Story Hour program in the evenings. Also, the libraries are participating in the "Commonwealth E-Book" program, which is broadening the number of books and materials available to patrons. The cost of this program is under \$500.00 per annum for towns in this bracket.

Another dumpster was delivered to the Hathaway Library shortly after Labor Day. Materials from both libraries are being disposed of as needed. Workers have been milling about at the White Library. It appears that the building trustees may be considering alterations to the building.

All computers were replaced during FY14 as a result of financial prudence.

Library Design and Planning Report

No report was made.

Old Business

It was noted that the budget voted at the Annual Town Meeting was missing funds for a longevity increase, and this was believed to be an oversight. The Town Administrator is placing an article on the warrant for the next town meeting to appropriate the missing funds.

Owing to the time of year, it was agreed to put the windows out to bid in February, with an eye toward carrying out the work in the spring.

The Circulation Policy was reviewed a final time. A motion was made by Mr. McCue, seconded by Mr. Kyne, to adopt the policy. The motion carried unanimously.

Meeting Adjourned

A motion was made by Mr. Kyne, seconded by Mrs. Paiva, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 7:45p.

This is a True Record by me.

Attest: Michael T. McCue