

Freetown Board of Library Trustees  
Minutes of Wednesday, May 17, 2017 Meeting  
James White Library

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Present: Irene Ashley, Christine Paiva, Lucille Rosa, Beverly Sadeck and Paul Sadeck

Absent: Vince Kyne

Guests: Dorothy Stanley-Ballard (Library Director)

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by Chairman Lucille Rosa

Approval of minutes: Minutes approved with correction.

Bills and payroll: Questions or discussion?

Library Director:

Dorothy spoke about the future of libraries and technology. She mentioned that with all that is happening and the amount of new methods on the horizon, it will be necessary to have a director with at least thirty hours. SAILS, in a recent survey, have established that people want hands on training. Dorothy said that they find that patrons are coming in with questions on the overdrive program, and how to make connections with their equipment. Casey has become the "techie" on call. Also she reminded us that if you do not have a Long Range Plan on file with the state, you are not eligible for state grants. We now have a pass available for Edaville. It is good for everyday.

Library and Design and Planning:

Lucille said that they are not meeting at this time, but need to working on getting the proposal finished and ready for the next step. We had much discussion about this project in order to let our new Trustees know what happening and the next steps that have to be done.

Plans----architect---owners project manager in place---apply for construction grant.

Windows (Hathaway Library) Talked about getting them installed.

Long Range Plans were discussed. We talked about maker's space and how libraries are using this space. We will work on this at our next meeting.

The meeting night has been changed to the third Thursday of each month instead of the second Thursday. A motion was made by Christine Paiva and seconded by Paul Sadeck. It was passed in the affirmative.

A great deal of conversation went on about the libraries and how things are done. This hopefully gave a brief introduction to our new members.

Respectfully submitted,  
Irene Ashley