

Deering Library Board of Trustees
762 Deering Center Road
Deering, New Hampshire 03244

Minutes of 01 May 2017

Trustees present: Chairman Cynthia Krill, Gary Samuels

Also present: Pia Sunderland, Susan Bearor, Alan Belouin, Abigail Krill, Villa Ramsay

Chairman Krill called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

Minutes: The minutes for the meetings of 07 Feb and 03 April were approved as presented.

Correspondence: There was no correspondence to consider

Old Business:

Meeting with the Deering Select Board: Cynthia Kll met with the Deering BOS and explained the new policy of the library, i.e. away from organizing parties for children and toward literacy. She reported that the BOS was supportive of this shift. The BOS approved of the idea of placing 'little libraries' at fire stations and stocking them with old books from the library. BOS also supported the acquisition of a computer by the library that will be devoted to community use; BOS indicated that it would be possible for this library computer to have its own line.

New Business:

This meeting had been advertised as a recruiting drive for a revitalized Friends of the Deering Library. Participants in the meeting joined trustees in planning a program for the year. A suggestion was made that Friends of the Library could manage the books in the proposed little libraries, as possibly could residents who live near the respective libraries.

Possible programs include: (1) a book discussion group. Susan Bearor volunteered to hold a discussion for adults and teens based on the book *The Sun is Also a Star* for Monday, 5 June as part of the next trustee's meeting. Susan and the trustees are promoting this discussion. Toadstool bookstore has been contacted about providing books. (2) Deering resident and author Nancy Cowan will be asked to hold a book signing for her memoir about life with falcons. Ms Cowan has agreed to a Sunday toward the middle of July. Toadstool will be approached about having books to sell at this event. In good weather, the event will be held near the schoolhouse library. This will give residents to look inside the schoolhouse building. (3). A 'maker space' for children to be held in town hall. An example could be making origami.

Open hours. The possibility of the library being open during week days and having story hour during week days In the summer was discussed. Residents could be alerted to the fact that the library is open by a flag and/or the sandwich board. The question as to whether a librarian and/or library director can be volunteers or must they be trained librarians.

One drawback to the functioning of the library is that without a librarian and a library director Deering Library cannot have access to the NH State library.

Samuels informed that the library has a Facebook page (DEERING NH PUBLIC LIBRARY) and a blog (www.deeringpubliclibrary.blogspot.com).

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 by chair Krill.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, June 5 at which the book discussion will take place along with a discussion of summer plans.

Respectfully submitted

Gary J. Samuels

Secretary

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