

## Exeter Public Library Trustees Minutes June 20, 2017

Present: L. Haslam, D. Leonard, M. McEntee, J. Peschel, P. Sears, L. Wilson, B. Young, H. Godino  
Absent: S. Canty, M. LaFreniere,

### Call to Order:

- 6:30 pm. Barbara opened the meeting with a roll call.
- The minutes of the May 2017 Trustees' meeting were accepted.

### Correspondence: -0-

### Directors Report:

We are all set for summer at the library with events and programs for all ages.

On Wednesday, June 28 from 11:30-1:30, we will have a Harry Potter Picnic in Founders Park. All ages are invited to bring their lunches and a "magical" dessert to share. Drinks and snacks will be provided by the library. Five Harry Potter themed activity stations will be available to peruse including; Potter Portraits (Photo Props), a Transfiguration Station (Face Painting), Draw Forth Your Patronus (Animal Art & Harry Potter Coloring Books), Quidditch Cups (A Tabletop Version of Quiddich), and Destiny Divination (Magic 8 Balls & Tarot Readings). Get sorted into your house by selecting your house sticker, visit our Honeydukes Snack Table, win a Harry Potter inspired button, pick up your ticket to platform 9  $\frac{3}{4}$  and a bookplate from Hogwarts Library, listen to Harry Potter music, and checkout some of the library's Harry Potter materials including books, CDs and DVDs. Costumes are encouraged. This event will help the kick-off our Summer Reading Program in magical style! Rain location will be the library's meeting room. Rain or shine it should be a good time.

We have summer fun for all ages. Summer reading participants, aged 3 and up, set their own weekly reading goals and keep a log of their progress, winning weekly prizes. Children aged 9-12 may choose to participate in this program or in Book Blast, where they will read two books and discuss them afterwards along with an activity. Sign-up week begins July 3<sup>rd</sup>, and the program begins the following week, running through August 18<sup>th</sup>.

During the summer Storytime will be offered on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10 and 2, with no registration required. Arts & Crafts will be available all day on Mondays and Fridays. Each Wednesday afternoon the Children's Room will host special programs, as follows:

**Funnyman Dan** July 12 at 1:00 p.m., **Indoor Tide Pooling** July 19 at 1:00 p.m., **Jungle Jim** July 26 at 2:00 p.m. (*at the Town Hall*), **Stuffed Pet Show** August 2 at 1:00 p.m., **Steve Corning** August 9 at 1:00 p.m., **Zoo Creature** August 16 at 1:00 p.m.

The teen summer program begins on June 26. On Thursday afternoons there will be a special teen event. Teen readers will be rewarded with a variety of incentives, generously donated by local businesses. The final event on August 17<sup>th</sup> will include grand prize drawings for reading participants.

Our EPL LOVE YA program continues to grow with over 20 teens visiting the library on Thursdays for fun and games. This month's theme is *Fun with Food*. Thursday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> is the

last day for this afterschool program, celebrating with an End of School party and the teen's favorite game, Silent Library.

The High School Book Group (O.P.R.A.H. Book Club, Fight Club) will continue in summer with Stardust in July and The Art of Racing in the Rain in August. In June we welcomed our first guest author, Douglas Wynn, who wrote Red Equinox

Starting June 26, the Adult Summer Reading Program will begin. Once again, we will have a display of the very popular Staff Picks, along with updated Staff Lists for patrons to take. We will also have drawings every week for prizes, one for the patrons and one for the staff members, with a grand prize drawing at the end of the program.

In June our Evening Book Group discussed A Constellation of Vital Phenomena and our Morning Book Group will discuss White Teeth. July and August marks our Summer hiatus and the groups will resume in September.

During the summer we will be showing three movies a month on Monday afternoons, two new released movies and one classic film. In July, LaLa land, On Golden Pond and A Dog's Purpose and in August, The Zookeeper's Wife, Some Like It Hot, The Lost City of Z.

Our summer music series begins July 11 with Mike Rogers songwriter, guitarist and poet, on July 11, pianist and vocalist Ray DeMarco, on August 8 Allan Batchelder with his dulcimer, and August 22 folksinger songwriter and guitarist Howie Newman. All the music programs begin at 3 pm and are held in the Sloan Reading area.

The Exeter Public Library has been selected as the beneficiary for the Hannaford Helps program for the month of July. With the purchase of the blue Hannaford Helps bags, one dollar will be donated to the library. The bags that benefit the library are blue with a good karma message.

Tech Teach, free one-on one technology lessons are extremely popular. We offer these lessons on the first Monday of the month 5-7 pm and on the last Friday of the month 10 am to noon. Give us a call for more information and to sign-up for a lesson. All our programs are free and open to the public

**Operating statement:**

- The operating statement was accepted. Hope said there is nothing unusual for this time of year.
- Leslie asked about why the Periodicals line had so much money in it. Hope said we are now buying periodicals from Amazon and we pay throughout the year.
- The Service Contract line is mostly paid for early in the year. That is why there is not much left in that line.

**Building, Grounds and Technology: -0-**

**Finance and Fundraising: -0-**

**Long Range Plan:**

- The architects will be here at 7 pm to show the plans for the new addition.

**Personnel and Policy:** -0-

**Social:** -0-

**Friends:**

- Paula reported that the Friends have met and are writing their Mission Statement and Bylaws. She gave copies to the Trustees for their comments. She would like them back within 2 weeks. They will try to have a table at Revolutionary War Days and the Fairy House picnic in the fall.

**Continuing Business:**

- Paula reported on the new Friends group. They have a Board of Directors with Kathy Boudreau as chair. They have a logo created by Julia Leonard. The Mission Statement is almost complete. All Trustees need to be on their mailing list. They are getting a bank account set up. They plan on having a Fairy House day in the fall. The next meeting will be June 13 at 6:30 pm.
- Martha and Jim reported that the NHLTA meeting was very informative. Jim particularly liked Terry Knowles' presentation of library appropriations and the presentation for new trustees. Martha went to a program given by a librarian from Sunapee concerning automation systems.

**New Business:**

- Jim asked when do the Trustees begin discussions on the budget. Hope said that she is currently writing the CIP for the new addition and the budget process will begin in September.
- Jim wanted to know where we advertise our programs, specifically the movies. We put posters up downtown, we send press releases to the newspapers and we advertise in-house. In order to show movies here at the library we have to purchase a license and a part of the contract is that we do not advertise the titles of the movies except in-house. So we ask that people call us to find out the title.

**Next Meeting September 19, 2017 at 6:30 pm.**

Meeting Adjourned 7:00 pm.

Pam Darlington