

**KEENE PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MEETING**

Tuesday, December 16, 2014 at 5:00 PM
Horatio Colony House Museum

Present: Sally Miller, Judy Putnam, David Meader, Nat Stout, George Scott, Paul Henkel, Charles Redfern, Kathleen Packard, Bill Stroup, Beth Truman, Library Director Nancy Vincent, Director of Horatio Colony House Museum Anita Carroll-Weldon

AGENDA

1. Call to order at 5.00pm
2. Approval of the Minutes of the November 18 meeting. Motion to accept with minor correction by Judy Putnam, seconded by Kathleen Packard, approved unanimously.
3. Committee and Liaison Reports
 - a. Finance. Did not meet this month. Judy presented an update on the Bernice Clark bequest. The only stipulation is that it is used by and for the library. It will be helpful for the early planning phases of the library project..
 - Treasurer's report: Next month.
 - b. Building and Grounds. Did not meet this month. Old Homestead Garden Club did bring greens in this month and were thanked.
 - c. Community Outreach. Would plan to meet in January with staff and reconvene that group. Charles and Beth are on that committee. Craig Sylvern has information about how to change cassettes and albums to digital formats.
 - d. Long Range Planning Committees
 - Keene Library Annex Advisory Committee. KLAAC meetings will resume January 7, visit Jan 14th with Jeff Hoover. Met with staff last Friday. Also met with Cheshire TV. Mark Nelson new interim Director, staff members and Tom Cook, Board President, walked through all second floor areas. They

explored the issues of elevator/stair placement and the sharing of temple space with the least impacts. Library staff is putting together community responses to KLAAC issues. Using categories from first visioning sessions. Write about : energy efficiency, birds, trees, books. Fundraising working group is putting together a feasibility study. In early January, the group will decide on who to work with in organizing this. Hire someone by the end of January. The Friends will do the hiring.

e. Fine Arts. No meeting.

f. Policy. No report.

g. Friends of the Keene Public Library. Generously voted the wish list for the year. Youth programming, library passes, total amount of \$52g.

h. Horatio Colony Museum. Anita Carroll-Weldon reported on nature preserve and museum programs and on the expanded view at Tip-Top house. Upcoming shared grants with Gail Zachariah on oral history projects. Research involvement of woolen mill with Civil War. Upcoming program on the "sheep craze." Upcoming event with NH Poet Laureate Alice Fogel to be held at the Colony House. The board thanked Anita for welcoming us to the Colony House once again for our December meeting.

i. Cheshire County Literacy Coalition. No report.

4. Director's Report. Holiday luncheon. Teen services librarian: first finalist declined the position as it require a relocation from another state and it was too big a change for a less than full-time position. Several patrons have brought up concerns about smoking near the front door. Staff is looking into possible ordinances or signage to help with this problem.

5. Old Business. None

6. New Business None

Motion to adjourn by Judy Putnam seconded by Kathleen Packard passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 6.04pm.