

KEENE PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
Tuesday, June 25th, 2013

Present: Sally Miller, Judy Noonan, Kathleen Packard, Judy Putnam, Lynn Simington, Georgia Tasoulas, Bill Stroup, Beth Truman, Director Nancy Vincent, Dan Scully, Katie Sutherland, Jennifer Bone, Paul Ledell, and Jane Pitts.

1. The meeting was called to order by President Beth Truman at 5:08 PM.
2. Report from Dan Scully and Katie Sutherland of Dan Scully Architects
There were seven Focus Groups and six Community Visioning sessions in the past five weeks, looking for ideas for the future development of the Library Annex. About 100 community members took part in the sessions. The need for different size rooms adaptable for meetings and study was a repeated request. The Library is seen as a present and future provider of access to technology, as well as books in all formats. It is also viewed as a provider of literacy in a multi-media way. Scully Architects did a code review of the Annex, and noted that some of the future building requirements would require an elevator, handicapped-accessible rest rooms, sprinklers, fire stairs, and additional power supply. A structural survey has not been done for this part of the project.
2. The Minutes of May 28th were presented for approval.

On a motion duly made by Kathleen Packard and seconded by Judy Putnam, it was:

VOTED: to accept the May 28th Minutes – *passed unanimously*

3. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

a. Finance:

Treasurer's Report: The City has approved the Library's budget for the following year.

b. Building and Grounds:

The Thayer Oak in front of the Library was evaluated by Winn Johnson of Keene Tree Service, who suggested aeration of the tree roots at a cost of \$450. Paul Henkel has authorized Broad Oak Tree Service from Peterborough to do a soil test at a cost of \$120. They will also survey the Thayer Oak next week.

c. Community Outreach:

The Summer Reading Programs are starting with a good sign up: 100+ children, 40 teenagers, and 51 adults have registered so far. Book discussions on works by Edith Wharton and Henry Miller for the Chautauqua theme have taken place, and the Chautauqua event will be in July. It will be a busy summer, with many other children's programs planned.

d. **Long Range Planning Committee:** See Scully Architects Report

e. **Fine Arts:** No Report

f. **Policy:** No Report

g. **Friends of the Keene Public Library:** No Report

h. **Horatio Colony Museum:**

The website has been updated with list of programs for the summer (HoratioColonyMuseum.org).

A presentation on rare book collecting will be given June 26th; several outdoor children's programs are planned for July

i. **Cheshire County Literacy Coalition:** No Report

4. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Approval of the budget has allowed for two new part time employees, a Digital Resource Librarian and a Young Adult Librarian.

5. Old Business:

The Library has begun a search for a new Trustee, and will entertain suggestions.

6. New Business: None

On a motion duly made by Judy Noonan and seconded by Judy Putnam, it was:

VOTED: to adjourn the meeting – *passed unanimously*

Meeting adjourned at 6:23 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Judith M. Noonan
Secretary

**Next Meeting:
Tuesday, August 27th, 2013
5:00 PM
Keene Public Library**