

Holliston Board of Library Trustees
Minutes of the Regular Monthly Meeting
May 2, 2018

Members Present: Karla Alfred, Bob Malone, Bob Ostrow, Jim Pond
Staff Present: Leslie McDonnell, Director
Members Absent: Nancy Baron, Bill Heuer,

Bob O. called the meeting to order at 7:08P.M. A quorum was present.

Approval of the minutes of the April 11, 2018 meeting was moved by Jim, seconded by Bob M., and voted unanimously.

It was noted that Bill Heuer will be off the Board as of the Town election on May 22. There was also a brief informal discussion about the efficacy of rental/circulation of video games.

Leslie offered the Children's Librarian reports from Tracy Alexander dated April 11 and May 2. She specifically noted the visit by Chief Cassidy for storytime during April school vacation, the resounding hit of "Barn Babies", and the Agriculture Commission exhibit of incubated chicks in the Children's Room. Leslie had a conversation with a representative of PETA regarding that exhibit that was satisfactory.

Lelsie presented the Director's report. She first highlighted several successful programs recently presented: Faith Traditions in America April 4 and 12, with 28-30 attendees; Sensational Salads April 11 with 28 attending; and History of the Eight Arch Bridge April 29 with an overflow house in the Gilman Room.

Leslie also presented a building update. The security alarm and panic buttons have been successfully installed (National Alarm of RI), as recommended by Chief Cassidy. The AC will be started next week, with fingers crossed there are no problems. The Town Meeting warrant will include a capital expenditure item for up to \$221,000 for library roof and HVAC replacements. TD Bank has been very cooperative in planning for crane location for roof work. The idea of a door for the magazine room has been discarded due to cost and work limitations. The hinges on the boiler room door are faulty, and it was decided to ask the Finance Committee for an extraordinary expenditue for repair due to safety issues.

A written draft of the Director evaluation will be prepared by Bob O. for the next meeting for review by Board members. Leslie will provide several past evaluations to Bob for reference.

A discussion of the used book program was undertaken, as was a notice about the used clothing program. It was decided to review the possibility of the Friends providing up to 50 new chairs and a chair dolly.

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Adjournment of the meeting was moved (Jim) and seconded (Karla) and voted unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:40PM.

The next meeting of the Board will be Wednesday, June 6 at 7:00PM. Bob O. will be the recorder.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Robert Malone