Bow Baker Free Library  
Trustee Meeting  
April 13, 2011  
FINAL Minutes

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:04 p.m. Present at the meeting were Tom Ives, Ingrid White, Lisa Richards, Colleen Haggerty, Elizabeth Foy, and Ann Hoey. Not present was Library Director Lori Fisher.

Also present at the meeting were Children’s Librarian Jennifer Ericsson, Friends of the BFL members Christine Carey and Norm Williams, Bow Heritage Commission members Faye Johnson and Sue Wheeler, Bow resident and fundraiser Derrick Wong, former New Bedford library trustee Karen Salerno and former New Bedford Assistant Librarian Pat Fickett.

2. Presentation by New Boston Library Building Committee

Ms. Salerno and Ms. Fickett were invited to speak to the trustees about their experiences with building a new library facility in New Bedford. Their experience included seeking town funding (which was not received), finding a new site for the building, fundraising through private donations, planning and building a new library.

In total, their project cost around $1.5 million, of which about $700,000 was received in in-kind donations and the other $800,000 was raised through private and public fundraising efforts.

A lengthy question and answer session followed between the speakers, the trustees, and others gathered to hear the presentation.

The presentation ended at 6:05 p.m. and a short break followed. All non-trustees left the meeting.

3. Nonpublic session

At 6:18 p.m. the meeting was reconvened and a motion was made to enter nonpublic session, pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II (a) and (c) to discuss a personnel matter. A roll call vote was taken and all trustees voted “yes.”

The nonpublic session ended at 6:24 p.m. Tom moved to seal the minutes of the nonpublic session, Colleen seconded the motion and it was passed unanimously.

4. Other Business

Due to the length of the New Boston presentation, all other business was deferred and the Trustees agreed to meet again next Wednesday, April 20, at 5:15 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ingrid White, Secretary