A meeting of the Wadleigh Memorial Library Board of Trustees was held on April 18, 2006 at 7:30 PM at the Wadleigh Memorial Library, Nashua Street, Milford, New Hampshire.

Trustees Present:

Tim Barr, Bert Becker, Mary Burdett, Sandra Hardy, Edith March, Mike Tule

Others Present:

Michelle Sampson, Library Director and Deb Spratt, Assistant Director

Quorum:

The Chair noted that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Acceptance of minutes was deferred to next trustee meeting.

TREASURER’S REPORT

The trustees reviewed the library budget expenditures as of April 18, 2006. They also reviewed the trust accounts and non-budget expenditures.

DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Facilities: There was an attempted break in through the skylight. Joel noted the attempted breakin last Sat. April 15, 2006. There is no access into the building from that skylight.

Two 12 year olds were banned from the library. Chief Douglas was present in the meeting with the children.
Michelle requests the doors to the booksale area and tech area be locked after 5. The fire chief will let us know what is permissible. Will review at next trustee meeting.

Other: Michelle and Deb informed the trustees about “downloadable audiobooks”. The state library is to underwrite initial cost. The cost to us would be $1000 and with that we would get unlimited titles for one year. Our cost would come out of the audiobook fund.

OLD BUSINESS

Patron letter re: computer use: There was much discussion regarding filtering and the 1st amendment. There was discussion regarding the possible filtering for computers used by those under 17 years old. Deb states our security system makes filtering difficult. It was asked by the trustees how many libraries in NH or our county use filtering, what products, what is the staffs feelings toward filtering. Michelle and Deb stated they would investigate these questions. CybraryN was discussed by Michelle. This limits time allowed on the computer. General consensus is that limiting time on the computer might help with some of our usage problems. With Cyberian, the computer automatically notifies the user when time is nearing completion and then will shut the user out. Cost is $1800 for 15 computers. The money will be taken from the Trustee account.

Relocation YA, Periodicals: The project is moving along well and continuing.

Roof Bids: Roofing businesses came out to look at roof last Sat. (April 15, 2006). April 30, 2006 is the deadline for all bids. Meeting scheduled for May 2, 2006 at 7pm to review and discuss bids.

NEW BUSINESS

CIP update: Michelle to update from last year. On May 8, 2006 at 7p.m., the facilities committee will be walking through the library.

Pictometry: Comparison made to “Google Earth”. Discussion followed regarding the benefits of this program for the library patrons. Cost is $507 to each town department. A few questions asked included: are all town departments planning on going in on this, how up to date is pictometry. Tim Barr will be attending the meeting tomorrow night (April 19) which will be discussing and explaining pictometry in detail. Tim will update the trustees.
Meeting was adjoined at 9 p.m.

Next Meeting: May 16, 2006
Food at 7 p.m.
Meeting at 7:30 p.m.