

Wadleigh Memorial Library Trustees Meeting January 15, 2008

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The Board of Trustees January 15, 2008 Meeting was called to order at 7:30pm at Wadleigh Memorial Library.

Present: *A woman is like a tea bag- you never know how strong she is until she gets in hot water.*

Sandra Hardy, Chair; Tim Barr; Bert Becker; Mary Burdett; Chris Costantino; Edith March; Mike Tule. Director, Michelle Sampson. Jo-Ann Roy, Ass't Director. Press: Daymond Steer –Milford Cabinet

Minutes: *It is not fair to ask of others what you are unwilling to do yourself.*

The minutes as amended for the December 18, 2007 meeting were approved on a motion by Bert, seconded by Edith.

Treasurer's Report: *Great minds discuss ideas; Average minds discuss events; Small minds discuss people.* Reviewed and accepted.

Director's Report *Beautiful young people are accidents of nature, but beautiful old people are works of art.*

Stats: For 2007, we had **26,014** logons to our public pcs (averaging about 2,200 per month).

Circulation:

Circulation Jan-Dec	2006	2007	% Increase
General Circ	194,689	205,423	5.5
Downloadable Audio	289	1,242	n/a
MyLibraryDV		88	n/a
Total Circ	194,978	206,753	6
People Counter	2006	2007	% Increase
Jan-Dec	177,783	179,570	1

People Counter

Personnel *Never be bored, and you will never be boring.*

- Michelle completed the Primex Supervisor's Academy II and will be attending the final section, Supervisor's III on January 22-24.
- Cindy Mazza's 1 year anniversary is this month.
- Annual reviews will be coming up in February (due by end of Feb).
- Michelle will be taking vacation from Thursday, February 7th through Sunday, February 17th.

Facilities: *No man is defeated without until he is defeated within*

- NH Room: "Pilot duty relay" was replaced due to noise and faulty operation. Shortly thereafter, the heat stopped working. Problem has been fixed.
- New snow blower saga: After using it for the first time for 3 hours, the drive belt burned up. Belts and hoses not covered by warranty. Nashua Outdoor Power Equipment is charging WML \$52.34 despite it being a brand new machine. In the meantime, Joel Tafford continues to have problems with the machine. Michelle spoke with Beth (Supervisor) and she was somewhat vague as to what they could do for us in re the \$52.34. Today a tech came out to examine the blower—discovered one of the wheels was installed incorrectly. He fixed the wheel and cleaned the "drive disc." We now have an additional invoice for \$97.50; for a brand new machine only in use for two months. Michelle will write a letter to manufacturer detailing the history to see if they will be willing to cover the costs of these repairs on a "brand" new machine.
- Building ballasts update: PSNH will be meeting with Joel and Michelle on Monday, January 21 @ 2pm with their updated energy audit findings for the building.
- Furniture replacement project: quote from Tucker Library Interiors was less than Michelle expected. She has asked for the cost of a new reference/service desk and is awaiting that figure. Michelle will be putting together a spec sheet to send out in order to have at least 3 quotes.

- During the last big snowstorm, there were a few leaks in the ceiling. The building gutters were dammed with ice and causing a backup of condensation—especially once some of the snow began to melt. Joel dug trenches in snow on the roof and placed electric ice wire in order to encourage faster melting of blockage.

Systems: *No one can make you feel inferior without your consent.*

- Power surge – led to problems to get the computers working. Resolved.
- Tax forms are out – AARP tax assistance volunteers will be using the meeting room again this year
- Jo-Ann is on the database promotion committee for GMILCS – the brochure has been completed. Next step is to notify the public through press releases.

91 Nashua *Beautiful young people are accidents of nature, but beautiful old people are works of art.*

- 2nd floor radiator issues—Wetherbee never followed through with a quote. Joel's fix, however, seems to be working.

Old Business *Do what you feel in your heart to be right - for you'll be criticized anyway. You'll be damned if you do, and damned if you don't.*

- Long Range Plan update- review the draft that was presented for the next meeting
- Budget- so far so good
- Solicitation policy was accepted on motion by Mary, seconded by Mike
- Trustee elections: Bert and Mike are up for reelection – both are planning to rerun.
- Acoustic Café this weekend.

Adjournment *I could not at any age be content to take my place in a corner by the fireside and simply look on.*
Meeting over at 8:45.

Edith will bring pizza to the next meeting, Feb 19, 2008.

Minutes prepared by Chris Costantino with assistance from Eleanor Roosevelt