

The meeting was called to order at 7:00pm at the Wadleigh Memorial Library.

Present: *Weeds are flowers too, once you get to know them*

Deb Faucher, Co-Chair; David Rysdam, Judy Gross, Kim Paul, Sarah Sandhage, Mike Tule. Jen Hansen excused Alternate: Chris Costantino. Kim Gabert and Mary Ann Shea, library staff. Betsy Solon, new library director as spectator.

December Meeting Minutes *Bores can be divided into two classes: those who have their own particular subject, and those who do not need a subject.*

Approved unanimously on a motion by Kim, seconded by David.

Treasurer's Report: *Did you ever stop to think and then forget to start again? People say nothing is impossible, but I do nothing every day.*

Thanks again to Kim for taking on this task. Gifts were accepted on a motion by Deb, seconded by Sarah.

There are some costs not in the report:

Director's Report *It is more fun to talk with someone who doesn't use long, difficult words but rather short, easy words, like "What about lunch?"*

Stats: Circulation

Through DECEMBER	2015	2016	% Change
General Circ	208,691	186,105	10.8% decrease
Downloadable audiobooks	4,957	5,341	7.7% increase
Downloadable ebooks	6,861	6,618	3.5% decrease
Downloadable magazines	458	808	76.4% increase
Total Circ	220,967	198,872	10% decrease

2015 General Circ figures are amended to reflect an inaccuracy detected at year's end, 2015

Stats: People Counter

People Counter	2015	2016	% Change
Through DECEMBER	122,105	116,098	4.9% decrease

Stats: Public PCs

Through DECEMBER	2015	2016	% Change
Wireless logins	11,358	11,950	5.2% increase
Public PC logins	13,464	11,423	15.2% decrease
Total	24,822	23,373	5.8% decrease

Personnel *Organizing is what you do before you do something, so that when you do it, it is not all mixed up*

- Betsy Solon starts next Monday, January 23, 2017.
- The Town Annual Report is due soon. Joint effort by Jen, Kim Gabert and Kim Paul.

Facilities *You can't stay in your corner of the forest waiting for others to come to you. You have to go to them sometimes*

- The upstairs bathroom has been re-opened to Staff only.
- Our shifting project is nearly complete. We're shifting the 700s now. We will use the extra space to display the taller, thicker art books in a more attractive manner.
- Rentals

The 29 Nashua St. stove was replaced during the second week in January.

The 29 Nashua furnace needed a \$140 repair

Systems *To the uneducated, an A is just three sticks*

- Bruce is planning to replace the server room switches and reorganize the server rack in Tech Services.
- The Microtime tech, Dan, is setting up our 6 new PCs, loading them with the necessary software and Windows 10. Two have been installed already, the rest due to be installed in the coming weeks

Programs & Services *Some people care too much, I think it's called love.*

- Yoga Time, Story Dance and Grades 4 & 5 Book Group, Makerspace, Wadleigh Writer Wednesdays, Creation Station, PAWS to Read, Grades 2 & 3 Book Club, Lego Party, Make & Take Crafts
Storytimes: Toddler Tales, Little Listeners (Mondays), Baby Lapsit (Wednesdays), and Storytime Stars (Wed & Thurs).
- **Young Adult**
Teen Writers' Club, Doctor Who Fan Club, Anime Club, Teen & Tween Yoga. Teen Book Crush Party, Zen Coloring Time.
- **Adult**
Idea to Invention: How to Become a Maker, Jigsaw Puzzle Swap (Jan 26), Acoustic Café – Ari and Mia Friedman (Jan. 21) and Atwater-Donnelly (Feb 18), New England Quilts and the Stories They Tell, (Feb 8)
Book Groups: History Book Club, Evening Book Group, Morning Book Group.
Ongoing: Knit 1, Crochet 2 (1st and 3rd Mondays of each month); Spanish Conversation Group (Tuesdays). Teen Tech Squad (Mondays).

Discussion *Promise me that you will always remember: You're braver than you believe, and stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think.*

1. Fountain repair – ongoing. \$466.25 expended to date. The money is coming from the Fines account and the gift from the Milford Masons.
2. Driveway rental – an abutter asked if she could use our unused driveway from 91 Nashua St for winter parking. After discussion of Joel Trafford's points, the trustees were unanimous in their decision to deny the request. Jen or Deb will respond to the abutter.
3. Library Calendar – the members unanimously approved the 2017 calendar

Meeting was adjourned at 7:25pm. *The third rate mind is only happy when it is thinking with the majority. The second-rate mind is only happy when it is thinking with the minority. The first-rate mind is only happy with it is thinking.*

This meeting was not videotaped. The next meeting of the Wadleigh Memorial Library Board of Trustees will be held on Tuesday, February 21 at 7pm. Chris to bring pizza.