

**Board of Library Trustees
Minutes 2/10/2016**

Present: Kathryn Mudgett (chair), Christine Smith (vice-chair), Monika Brodsky, Sarah Summers, Rebecca Freer (director), Judy McConarty (systems manager)

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order at 7:46 pm

Approval of Minutes: Deferred.

Reports:

Director: Becky reported that Sundays are going well. NPL's circulation is doing well compared to other OCLN libraries. Janell Burley Hofmann, author of *iRules: what every tech-healthy family needs to know about selfies, sexting, gaming, and growing up*, presented a great program. Diane and Betsy Detwiller introduced the 2016 Norwell Reads title, *The Martian* by Andy Weir, to the Board of Selectmen and distributed copies of the book. Author Chris Daley discussed his book, *Murder and Mayhem*, and presented a slide show of locales where the murders took place. Nancy, Judy, and Becky attended the Norwell Chamber of Commerce State-of-the-Town Breakfast. Becky presented an update on the status of the library building project and shared information about library activity in 2015.

Financial: Overall, expenses are in line with expectations for this point in the fiscal year.

Friends: No report.

Budget: The library will present its FY17 budget request to the Advisory Board on February 25. Town Administrator Peter Morin recommended a budget of \$608,104. This is below the \$613,104 originally requested by the library but it meets the Municipal Appropriation Requirement set by the MBLC.

Policy Review: Deferred.

Library Project Committee: The committee held its first meeting on February 4. Scott Brodsky will chair the committee. Jeanne Ivas will be vice-chair. The next meeting will be on February 18. Library Building Consultant Rosemary Waltos from the Massachusetts Board of Library Commissioners will be at the meeting to speak about the construction grant application process.

Director Search: executive session

Norwell Reads: Kick-off events on Saturday, February 6 included a presentation by Mad Science of Greater Boston called "Eggbert & Ice," and an interactive live Skype conversation with NASA astronaut Sunita Williams. Both events went very well.

Policy Review: Deferred.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, March 16 at 7:00 pm.

Upcoming meetings dates: April 13, May 18, Jun 15

Meeting adjourned at 9:09. Recorded by Judy McConarty