

Board of Library Trustees
Minutes 02/04/19

Present: Chris Smith (Chair), Monika Brodsky (Vice Chair), Kathie Fitzgerald, Sarah Summers, Judy McConarty (Director), Rachel Breen, Frank White, Tracy White, and Jill O’Laughlin

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 6:10 PM.

Additions to the Agenda: Director’s Review, Notary Services, and Fine Amnesty.

Approval of Minutes: Deferred.

Reports: Deferred.

Foundation Fundraising Proposal: Frank White, Tracy White, and Jill O’Laughlin joined the Trustees to discuss possibilities for the Foundation to host a closing event at the library before the library moves to its temporary location in mid-April. The Foundation provided Trustees with a “Library Closing Party” outline summarizing their ideas for the event. After review and discussion of the Foundation’s outline, the Trustees and Library Director felt that an event of this type and magnitude would not work with the current library building as its venue. Trustees discussed that a celebration and farewell of the old library building should be run and hosted by the library and its staff, but welcomed the Foundation to participate, especially in regard to conveying information to the public about the Foundation and its capital campaign for the Library Building Project.

Trustees voted their support for having this event on Sunday, March 31st as suggested by Judy, and agreed that the details of the event be left to the discretion of the library director and staff. Judy proposed a low-key afternoon with music and cake as well as offering the public Fine Amnesty for the duration of the Sunday afternoon. Sarah offered to contact Montilio’s in Brockton to see if they’d be willing to donate a cake for the event.

Notary Services: Judy announced that she will no longer serve as a notary due to other responsibilities and trustees fully supported that decision. Notary Services are provided at the Town Hall in the Town Clerk’s office.

Fine Amnesty: Trustees voted to allow an afternoon of Fine Amnesty for Norwell overdue items only on Sunday, March 31st.

Director’s Review: The Trustees conducted the Library Director’s review.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, March 20, 2019.

Meeting adjourned at 7:11 PM. Recorded by Rachel Breen