



Milton Free Public Library

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Milton Free Public Library Trustees Minutes January 24, 2017

Attendees: Laurie Palmeira, Larry Brown, Betsy Baker, Nancy Drew, Susann Brown

The meeting was called to order at 2:00PM by Larry Brown.

Larry Brown made a motion to approve the January 11, 2017 meeting minutes as written. Laurie Palmeira seconded. All in favor.

Visiting during the meeting was Nancy Drew, who is a candidate for the 1-year term position of Library Trustee.

Susann Brown presented the status of the new playground equipment that the Friends of the Milton Free Public Library have been working on. There will be two pieces, a “Springmates’ Duck” and a “4ft Whirlwind Climber”. The entire project will be paid for via donations from the Community Church in Milton Mills, funds from the Friends, and outside donations. Laurie Palmeira made a motion to support the Friends of the Library Playground Project as presented by Susann Brown. Larry Brown seconded. All in favor. Susann will present the project to the selectmen on March 20th.

Larry Brown gave the Treasurer’s report. The checkbook balance as of 12/31/16 was \$1,698.60. There were two deposits of \$16.50 and \$25 with \$0.01 interest bringing the ending balance to \$1,740.11 for 1/31/17. The guilt jar yielded \$13.00 which was counted by the Chair and the Library Director and will be deposited by the Secretary. Laurie Palmeira made a motion to accept the treasure’s report and that it be placed on file. Larry Brown seconded. All in favor.

Betsy Baker gave the librarians report. The patron count for January 2017 was 142 patrons including 23 adults, 27 teens, and 92 children. The Overdrive numbers for January totaled 183 transactions and consisted of 97 audio books, 86 e-books. The children’s party in January was attended by 17 children, 2 teens, and 9 adults. The annual Fan Fiction program will be awarded in April this year. Middle and high school students must submit their entries by March 30th. The Town Earth Day roadside clean-up is scheduled for April 22nd. A new library feature allows patrons to leave book reviews on the library catalog for others to read.

Betsy has continued work on the Adventure Backpack/Beach Bag Lending Policy as well as the Memorandum of Understanding and Cooperative Agreement and Worksite Policy Agreement. Larry Brown made a motion for Betsy Baker to present draft three of the Memorandum of Understanding and Cooperative Agreement at the March 20th selectmen's meeting for their review. Laurie Palmeira seconded. All in favor.

Larry Brown made a motion to implement the Worksite Policy Agreement effective February 24, 2017, with grammatical errors corrected. Laurie seconded. All in favor.

Public Comment – Susann Brown questioned the age of the current library computers. Betsy explained that they were only a few years old and that efforts are in place to replace one or two at a time as they age.

The next Library Trustee meeting will be on Friday, March 17, 2017 at 2PM at the library.

Laurie Palmeira made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 3:20PM. Larry Brown seconded. All in favor.

Recorded by Laurie B. Palmeira

Larry Brown

Laurie Palmeira