Board of Library Trustees

Minutes Friday April 20, 2018 9:30am Cobb Room, Truro Public Library Truro MA 02652

Attending: Sally Brotman, Chair; Keith Althaus; Martha Magane, Tricia Ford, Library Director; Marilyn Adams, FOTL; Jim Summers, Truro Historical Society Absect. Man Aht Tim Kyell Called to order at 9:30am by Sally Brotman

Approval of minutes of March 16, 2018 postponed till next meeting.

Jim Summers of the Truro Historical Society gave a presentation to the Board of "Truro Connections", a new programming collaborative of non-profit organizations. He discussed their June 27, 2018 panel at the Payomet on the subject of Sustainability. There was consensus that the library was interested in the original objective of coordinating the scheduling of programming especially in the summer months. We offered the library as a venue for Truro Connections programs, but decided that the "Sustainability" programming and non-profit activities of the group should be separate and not confused with the library programming.

FOTL Report: Marilyn Adams reported on recent and upcoming programs, as well as the bus trip to the Roger Williams Botanical Garden in Providence.

Director's Report: (attached)

- Our long-standing request for a highway sign has been turned down by Dept. of Transportation.
- The Trustees were supportive of the Truro Summer Concerts moving to the back porch of the Library this summer.
- The Board of the Truro Part Time Residents Association offered a gift of a tree to the Library in honor of Regan McCarthy, past president of the organization. The board felt that the since the library depends on the DHP for much of the landscaping maintenance, this gift would be complicated. Past policy has been to consider memorial plantings. There was board consensus extending policy to include tributes to the many volunteers and friends of the town would create difficulty.

Ongoing: New Town policies: The Trustees affirm they are comfortable with the clarity of Mass. General Law in regard to hiring of the Library Director and the director's discretion in staff hiring. We do not anticipate any conflict with Truro's policies in this regard.

Social Media Policy: The Trustees feel they've done due diligence and are comfortable with their efforts following up on Town Social Media Policy.

Evaluation of the Library Director:

The Town of Truro Annual Performance Review is ready for submission to the Town. The Trustee Employee Performance Evaluation will be discussed at the next Trustees meeting due to absences.

Meeting adjourned 11:30am. Next meeting: May 18, 2018 May FOTL Sally Brotman

Submitted by Keith Althaus

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