



TOWN OF TRURO

Board of Library Trustees

P.O. Box 2030, Truro, MA 02666

Meeting Minutes of November 18, 2015 Truro Public Library: Cobb Room

Present: S. Keith Althaus, John F. Kolb, James M. Kyed, Sally Brotman, Barbara B. Wood (Chair), Tricia Ford: (Library Director), Maggy Hanelt (Assistant Director & Children's Librarian), Carol Mooney (Friends of the Truro Library, FOTL)

The meeting was called to order at 9:30 AM

Minutes of October 21, 2015 were approved

FOTL REPORT: Carol reported on recent FOTL highlights: a Truro Cemetery Tour courtesy of Bob Masson, a successful fundraiser at Van Rensselaer's Restaurant raising \$500, a presentation by Eric Fisher of CapeCodWeather.net that was appreciated by 25 patrons, the Angel Tree which will soon be collecting gifts for 110 children to be distributed by the Homeless Prevention Council, and Jobi Pottery has been commissioned to create unique soup bowls for the January Pot Luck Soup luncheon.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT (Attached): Two noteworthy items on the attached report include the Library Pumpkin that "went viral" reaching over 3.5 million internet users as far flung as Truro, England and Truro, Nova Scotia. Second, Truro was awarded a FOUR STAR rating by the Annual Library Journal LJ Index, an unexpected honor.

LONG RANGE PLANNING (LRP) GOALS: Trish and Barbara solicited trustee responses and questions regarding the 2013-2017 LRP. Barbara noted that the feedback and evaluation process relied predominantly on written surveys. A question regarding the impetus for Goal #3, which related to historical archiving and oral history, apparently derived from Truro's Tercentennial that soon lost relevance. Keith recommended the FOTL might refer to the LRP Goals for potential program planning purposes. Trish will collate Trustee responses to "How we did in reference to the goals that we set?"

PROJECTED CAPITAL NEEDS: Tricia conducted a site tour for the Trustees, focusing on potential space use planning and renovation needs. As previously noted, the need to reconfigure library spaces in order to better serve current patterns of use creates uncertainty in the capital planning process. This year's budget includes \$15,000 for consultant services to help with the design strategy, hoping to forestall incurring unnecessary interim expenditures.

NEXT MEETING: DECEMBER 16TH 9:30 AM LIBRARY COBB ROOM.

Meeting adjourned at 11:45 PM

Respectfully submitted, Sally Brotman

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