

September 03, 2014 (Draft)

Call To Order 7:03 pm – Present: Kristine Sweeter, Tyler Colford, M.A. Johnson, Anna Ryan Doug Parkhurst, Kimberly Hicks, and Guest Speaker – Amy Howlett, Library Development Consultant, State of Vermont

Public Comments: N/A

Presentation by Amy Howlett: (New) Trustee Orientation

New Trustee training and orientation, with reviews of Open Meeting Laws for all, concerning the changes taking affect in 2014 – noted of interest: the way that technology impacts Trustee meetings – able to be in attendance via media, such as Skype, Facetime, etc....Addressed the challenges of electronic correspondence, impact surveys and edge benchmarks as tools to reach the needs of the library patrons, and the benefit of utilizing the State's websites and continuing education.

Session Ended – 8:30pm

Regular Trustee Session Resumed – 8:33pm

July Minutes: M.A. Johnson, motion to approve: Anna second, all approved.

August Minutes: Summer break, no meeting held.

Librarian's Report:

Programming – Additions include NEW Afterschool Story Hour Wed's @4:00 pm, Kick-off program 09/17 Live Reptile Show: WildLife Festival Booth at Hogback, and Kristine presenting “History of the Whitingham Free Public Library on 09/10 at 7pm at Halifax Community Hall

Kristine and Tianna (Children's Librarian) to attend Youth Adult Workshop on 09/19

Fundraising: Annual Appeal – Ready, set, go!

Columbus Day Book Sale – Details reviewed:

October 09 – Set-up

October 10 – 4:00 – 7:00 pm

October 11 – 9:00 – 2:00 pm

October 12 – 9:00 – 12:00pm, Clean-up

*Book sale by donation

**Books that are stored at Kris Berberian's to be picked up by October 3rd

Old Business: Kris Berberian's Resignation 07/17/2014

Executive session called @ 8:53 by Anna Ryan, M.A. Johnson, seconded: all approved.
End of executive session @9:12 – Anna made the motion to end Executive session, Tyler,
second -all approve.

Doug motioned to accept Kris Berberian's letter of resignation; MA Johnson second: majority
approved – Kimberly Hicks abstained.

Tyler followed up with his need to write a letter to the Selectboard, explaining the Board's
position as a fiscal unit, in defense of our need for going over-budget...

Doug gave an update for the research regarding the “Little Free Libraries” in surrounding
towns...information given as to whether or not it should be something we should pursue...
as a library community, or as towns people, who think it is a relevant service – Halifax and Lake
Raponda's Little Free Libraries given as example; other locations reviewed as possible options.

New Business: Ongoing discussion of library web-site, what to do....

Trustees to meet at 7:00 pm, 09/08 at Kimberly Hicks house to complete Librarian's
review...possible review of By-laws as well.

Meeting Adjourned: 9:39pm

Anna Ryan, motion: Tyler, second...all approve.