

Ventress Memorial Library

Board Meeting

March 18, 2015

Those present: Michele Noonan, Jean Christensen, Suzanne White, Wally Coyle, Greg Guimond, Jim O’Gara, and Cyndee Marcoux.

1. Mr. Guimond made a motion for the meeting to be called to order at 4:05PM. Mr. Coyle seconded and all approved.
2. Mr. Guimond made a motion to approve the February 18, 2015 minutes. Mr. O’Gara seconded and all approves. Mr. Guimond made a motion to approve the March 16, 2015 minutes. Mr. Coyle seconded and all approves.
3. Director’s Report: Ms. Marcoux said the FY16 budget has been revised. There are no cuts in employees; the cuts are for materials. There is a joint Advisory and Selectman’s meeting March 24. There was a discussion regarding ways to fund the materials reduced budget. The Friends might be able to give the Library funds to help with purchases. Mr. Coyle suggested that having local companies contribute subscriptions to magazines that apply to their businesses might be a way of saving. Ms. White said she could attend the local PTO and encourage young parents to help with the Friends. Ed Perry of ATD might have programing for the library such as story time for children.
4. Announcements and Correspondence: Mr. Guimond will be painting the book nook area. Mr. Coyle will be getting and estimate for the bookcases. They will either be painted or stained. Ms. Noonan suggested that a project for Eagle Scouts could be free library mailboxes places in different locations. The Book Sale will be April 10 and 11. There is \$27,000 in the budget for repairs. The rugs either need to be replaced, or repaired and cleaned. Rugs need to be replaced every 5 to 8 years. It might be possible to replace the rugs with tile and runners. At least the entrance area needs to be done. Ms. Marcoux will call Brian Adams to get and estimate for either rugs or tiles. The hallways to the bathrooms need to be painted. Discussion regarding width of hallway and use for the new addition. Security cameras will be necessary for books and artwork.
5. No update on Trustee openings.
6. FY15 budget: It appears that 75 to 80% of figures are on track. There is a difference in payroll. Ms. Marcoux will check with Marcia Bohinc to see if figures are correct.
7. FY16 budget: Will be discussed at the March 23 meeting with Advisory Board.
8. The next meeting will be April 15, 2015 at 4:00.
9. Mr. Guimond made a motion to adjourn at 5:09. Mr. O’Gara seconded and all approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Sallie Oberg

