

TOWN OF PROVINCETOWN

Public Library

Board of Library Trustees

Minutes of Meeting July 31, 2006

Meeting held at Provincetown Public Library, 356 Commercial St.

Members Present: Marcia Fair, Chair; Mick Rudd, Vice Chair; Paul Benatti, Cathy Metzger; C.J. Noyes, Secretary
Others Present: Library Director Debra DeJonker-Berry
Members of the Public: James Cole
Call to Order: Marcia Fair called the meeting to order at 7:18 pm

Public Statements: James Cole asked if the air conditioning system was disturbing the neighbors this year. Debra DeJonker-Berry replied that the noise problem has been rectified.

2. Minutes: Mick moved and Paul seconded the motion to accept the minutes of May 8, 2006. The vote passed 5-0.

Agenda: Paul moved and C.J. seconded the motion to accept the Agenda as presented by Marcia Fair. The vote passed 5-0.

Chair's Report

Town Goals: Marcia reported the goals were presented to the selectmen. The selectmen intend to take action on the Fire House goal and will continue to investigate the possible use of the Freeman Street building.

Building Fund: Marcia reported that the Building Fund total had increased by \$9,365 during the month of July, bringing the Campaign total to \$1,039,077. This included a completed payment and money has already been received for the Packard Event, September 8. Invitations to the Packard Reception were scheduled to be mailed August 5 and two ads will be placed in *The Provincetown Banner*.

Marcia reported the donor breakdown according to donor levels and suggested that the Trustees consider publishing the list. After much discussion, Mick made a motion that a list of donors, according to donor levels, be published as a handout available to the public in the library, as well as to be utilized as a development tool for prospective donors. Cathy seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Director's Report

Building Report: Deb stated various projects (front stairs, chimney cap, doors, windows) with the building were nearing completion. The VSB has donated the funds needed to hire a part-time person to assist with the restrooms. She will be reviewing the applications. She would like to move forward with the belfry by creating our own RFP. She and Paul will meet to review options available within our legal parameters.

Legislative Report: The legislature overrode the governor's veto; construction funding for libraries is pending.

Exhibits: Mick reported the Lipton Cup Event was very well attended and the ceremonies were very well received. Deb reported the Summer Series, sponsored by Now Voyager Bookstore, and the Monday

nights kids program have been well received and attended.

Grants: A \$5000 grant by the Massachusetts Foundation for the Humanities has been applied for, to be used to document the history of the *Rose Dorothea* and the building of the "Rose" model on the second floor Children's Library.

Computer Software: Deb has purchased the software program needed to monitor the computer use/time compliance. It is expected that the system will be installed and running sometime in September.

New Business: Deb announced that Nathaniel Philbrick will be reading from his book *Mayflower: A Study of Courage, Community, and War* at the Provincetown Center for Coastal Studies on Sunday, August 6. Deb stated she is exploring the possibility of creating a "Community Read" using his book. Other communities throughout the country have done this with great success. Deb displayed a Christopher Radko ornament designed with various sights of Provincetown, which includes the library.

Other Business and Correspondence: Marcia read a thank you note from Bertha Perry Woodfin, a descendent of Captain Marion Perry, thanking the library for the Lipton Cup celebration.

8. Next Meeting: The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 11, 2006 at 7:15 p.m. in the Library.

9. Adjournment: Paul moved and Cathy seconded the motion to close the meeting at 8:50 p.m. The vote was 5-0 in favor.

These minutes were approved by a vote of the Provincetown Library Board of Library Trustees members present at their meeting on _____.

Respectfully submitted:

Library Board of Library Trustees signature

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Minutes prepared by Cathy Metzger