

Bancroft Public Library

Board of Trustees – Minutes of the April 3, 2018 Regular Meeting

Present were Ed Donoghue, Kim Erbe, Rebecca Brown, Siri Allison, and Alesa Wilson. Also present was Library Director Susan Getty, volunteers Peg Culver and Peg Underwood, and members of the public.

Minutes: Alesa Wilson made a motion, Siri Allison seconded, to approve the February 6, 2018 and March 6, 2018 minutes as presented. All were in favor and the motion was carried.

Correspondence: Director, Susan Getty received a letter from Stewart's Shops informing that the Library was chosen to receive a \$500 Holiday Match donation.

Public Comment: None

Treasurer/Finance Officer's Report: Vouchers from the Library Fund Nos.: 21 through 28 and totaling \$2273.15 were audited and ordered paid. The Finance Officer will check with the Treasurer to see when we can expect to receive the Town's budgeted contribution.

Library Director's Report: See attached.

Committee reports: Regarding the Committee for the Long Range Plan, Alesa Wilson made a motion, Kim Erbe seconded, to approve the following people put forward by Committee members Alesa Wilson and Siri Allison: Tina Fleming, Autumn Fleming, Pat Kitz, Jenna Getty, and Lauren Getty. All were in favor and the motion was carried.

Old Business: Regarding the Reading Room, the new chairs are due to arrive this week, the new shelves are nearly full, and the dedication will be held sometime in May.

Regarding the Final Charter, the Application and supporting documents have been submitted.

Regarding getting an EIN for the Library, it was decided there was no need at this time.

Regarding drawing up a Memorandum of Understanding between the Town Board as Successor Trustees of the Bancroft Trust and the Library Board, after discussion it was felt that although the Town's Dissolution attorneys advised against the Town Board entering into such an agreement, that the Library Board should work on creating such a document between themselves and the Trust Board. Kim Erbe will look for the document created under the prior Library Board.

New Business: Peg Culver and Peg Underwood have indexed and put on the new shelves in the Reading Room both the Walker Collection and a substantial number of other historic books. Peg Underwood felt that some of the historic books may be desirable to dealers and/or collectors and began researching this possibility. Discussion was had on whether the Board wants to consider selling these items and on concerns about their fragile condition and the Library's ability to properly maintain, restore, or secure them properly. The Library Board will consider how to handle these archival materials after further research.

Regarding the landscaping project, see the Director's report.

Regarding the Library joining the Salem Area Chamber of Commerce as a paying member, it was felt this was not an appropriate use of the Library's budget, but that perhaps the Chamber would agree to a non-paying membership. Susan Getty will inquire as to whether other libraries have and are paying for memberships.

The next meeting was set for Tuesday, May 1, 2018 at 6:30 PM.

The meeting was adjourned.