

Weeks Public Library Trustees Meeting
12 June 2006, 4:30 – 5:30 PM

Present: Co-Chairs Kate White and Adele Wick (the latter also acting as Secretary), Treasurer Dick Fralick, Trustee Dale Rockefeller, Alternate Trustees Abby Rockefeller and Julie Gilson, and Director Mike Sullivan

Absent: Secretary Tracey Graffam

1) The minutes of 15 May 2006 were approved as read except for correcting Building Committee member Sue Bacon's last name, which had been mangled by Adele's inability to read her own handwriting.

2) Highlights from the Director's Report include his oft-repeated dictum that "bad summer weather is good for the library, while bad winter weather is bad", so the recent deluges have increased business; preparation for very ambitious summer programs, and the great success of the "lilac pruning" adult programming.

3) Kate and Dick plan to attend the Selectmen's Meeting later on 12 June; the request for their attendance is basically part of an overall plan to get to know the library and the school better, but our representatives will be prepared to address Mold in the Basement. To that end, all reviewed the report from Tate, of Greenland's Great Bay Facility Services (hereinafter, "GBFS"). Adele called GBFS to confirm the hunch that a service call to take samples followed by their analysis is the logical next step. That step was initiated. Two bids to replace carpeting have already been received, and a third will be requested from GBFS's recommended Star Flooring. This bid will not include removal of the carpet padding; the others do. We shall explore, if re-flooring proves necessary, options other than carpeting – viz. tile or linoleum. Kate also discussed inaccuracies in a Portsmouth Herald article about the Mold Problem, and Mike discussed the Budget Committee's request for quarterly reports. Our books being open to any and every one, of course we shall comply with this request.

4) The Friends of the Library made \$2342.39 from the Plant and Chili Sale! The generous donation of a hot tub from New England Homes challenged members to find innovative ways to market their raffle items. The Friends' annual meeting is 19 June, at Bramber Golf's restaurant and starting at 6:30. Julie suggested investigating placing the library's name/logo on the Jason Hussey Road Race t-shirt; the question of who would pay was raised but not resolved.

5) Miscellaneous topics included the "pest guy"'s observation that pests are under control at the library but out of control at the parish house.

6) The To-Do List is unusually short for our first summer month. Mostly, non-members of the Building Committee urged that that committee start meeting.

7) The next Trustees Meeting will be on 10 July 2006, again starting at 4:30 PM.