

Weeks Public Library  
Trustees' Meeting Minutes  
Tuesday, October 27, 2015

The special meeting began at 5:05 p.m. with the attendance of trustees Dale Rockefeller, Mark Fodero, and Mark Willis (notetaker). Library director Denise Grimse also attended.

Health Plan: The director briefed the trustees on the health plan information shared at the previous meeting of the selectmen, emphasizing the early deadline for a decision on choosing health plans for 2016. A lengthy discussion of the impact of the many changes in the health insurance program ended with a unanimous decision by the trustees to opt for the Access Blue 10 plan for the full-time employees of the library.

2016 Budget: The director presented her revised proposed budget for approval by the trustees, indicating the possible implications of the new SB-2 town meeting procedure. The trustees, noting the recent loss of good employees by the library and the difficulty in recruiting quality replacements, decided on a proposed budget that would increase library salaries by 5% in 2016, and a proposed 2016 budget 5.02% higher than the current year. This would help bring library compensation in line with the town employees and with those of other comparable Seacoast libraries.

Advertisement of part-time position: The trustees approved the Director's proposed job description and posting for the recruitment of a replacement part-time employee, to serve as a programming librarian, working 28-32.25 hours a week.

Listing of Weeks Public Library approved: The trustees were pleased to hear that the State Historic Resources Council had voted October 26 to approve the listing of the Weeks Public Library in the New Hampshire State Register. They noted that the listing not only recognizes the historic significance of the Weeks Public Library, but it will make it easier to obtain grant funding for library improvements and upkeep.

Next meeting: The trustees decided to postpone approval of the minutes of the previous two meetings until the next regular meeting on November 10 at 4:30 p.m. The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.