

RUTLAND FREE LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

April 18, 2018 @ 5:15pm
Meeting at RFL Fox Room

Attending: Jennifer Bagley __; Heather Cooper X; Sharon Courcelle X; Anita Duch X; Joan Gamble X; Kay Jones X; Ed Ogorzalek __; William Notte __; Cathy Reynolds X; Stephanie Romeo X; John Wallace X; Randal Smathers X; Amy Williams X (X is present, A is absent)

Presiding: Heather Cooper Secretary: Stephanie Romeo

Agenda Addition(s): None

Acceptance of Meeting Minutes dated March 21, 2018: Joan moved to accept, Kay seconded. Motion approved.

Financials (report and committee): The Committee isn't happy with how the financials are currently being presented and will continue to work on that issue. The Library's decision to move its assets out of a stock portfolio at Moors & Cabot turned out to have occurred at the right time, considering one of the stocks in which we were heavily invested was Facebook. The Committee reviewed and approved a new investment policy, which will go to Policy and Planning for their review. Cathy made a motion to accept the report, Anita seconded. Motion approved.

Director & Assistant Director Updates: Amy reported that she attended the volunteer brunch and get together. She said volunteers have lots of ideas and great things to say about the staff. Randal echoed that he has been receiving positive comments about the staff. He estimated that half a dozen people have come up to him in the last six weeks to say how much friendlier the staff has been in the past year to two years. Randal reported that it has been a busy week with the reopening of the Fox Room, although Monday's Babies and Toddlers Rock program had to be cancelled due to a loss of power. Tuesday's talk on the Music of 1968 had about 30 people in attendance. Randal received news that the library was approved for an Alma Gibbs Donchian Foundation award (we requested \$5,000) to go toward the Fox Room repairs but the paperwork has not cleared yet.

Committee Reports and Actions:

Executive: The committee discussed the Fox Room reopening. Betsy Bloomer has stepped down from the board.

Personnel: Met this month to discuss continuing to prepare for union negotiations.

Development: At this point in the annual campaign we are \$3,500 shy of the \$50,000 fundraising goal. The committee discussed the Fox Room reopening event and logistics for the Table of Contents next week.

Building: Did not meet this month.

Policy & Planning: Did not meet this month. The committee will be looking at the Q1 scorecard progress next month, as well as the investment policy approved by Finance.

Adjournment: A motion was made to adjourn at 5:49 PM by Stephanie.

Next Board Meeting March 16, 2018 @ 5:15pm