

Pettee Memorial Library Minutes for June 5, 2012

Present: Franklin Reeve, *chair*; Louis Clark, *treasurer*; Ann Ottaviano, *recording secretary*; Meg Streeter, Carolyn Palmer, Amity DeAngelis, *librarian* and Helena Queenie; *children's librarian*

Secretary's Report: The minutes for May 15, 2012 were emailed to the trustees for their corrections or approval.

Treasurer's Report: The bank statements were not available for our early meeting. We discussed using unexpended funds to repay endowment for prior roof repairs.

Franklin Reeve made the motion to approve the minutes for May 15, 2012 and the treasurer's recommendation, Meg Streeter seconded, all approved.

Librarian's Report:

Summer Reading Program: Amity and Helena have been working hard on the program. Events and prizes have been finalized and pamphlets made. The high school has been visited in order to promote the project and Helena will visit the elementary and middle school this week. The program will be advertised on our website, facebook and local businesses.

Completed/ In-Process Projects: Second laptop has been installed in rear of adult stacks. Deep Freeze upgrade and standard maintenance for 10-station license has been renewed. World Book Online has been subscribed to and will be installed on in-house computers and linked to on website. Inventory completed on adult non-fiction, oversize and audio. June has finished weeding adult fiction collection. Dale Doucette will complete the sign tomorrow. Mike Redin installed the showcase locks on the downstairs cabinets. Bay State has asked for our VTEL# (registration). Once this issue is solved they will repair lift. Amity attended the Vermont Library Conference on May 22n "Not Your Mama's Library". Amity has found four grants that may be appropriate for Helena's hours. She is currently compiling statistics of the library's needs.

Other: Next staff meeting is Wednesday, June 13th at 11:15 a.m. Harriette Hamilton is on vacation June 5th-12th. We thank Franklin Reeve for the wonderful volunteer party on Saturday. A great time was had by all.

Children's Librarian Report:

Story Hour and Programs: 8 programs, 95 attendees! Highlight of the month was the 2nd grade trip to the Eric Carle Museum. Besides Eric Carle's work, there was a collection of Kadir Nelson's paintings from his picture book "We are the ship: The story of Negro League Baseball". The exhibit exposed the children to art and Black American and baseball history.

Last Friday, Amity gave a tour of the library to the 4th graders. The children enjoyed getting their own library cards. K-1 will be bringing children on Wednesday and Thursday morning this week. Promotions on the Summer Reading Program will be going on in all the area schools this month.

Library Duties: We are starting the 6 week program with a kick-off party on June 18th. Mike Clough from So. VT History Museum will present his raptors and “creatures of the night” There will be an ice cream social hosted by the Deerfield Valley Rotary Club. Staff will be signing up people for the different reading programs and handing out informative pamphlets about Pettee Memorial Library.

During the summer, we will continue our Monday morning story hour at 10:30 a.m. On Thursday nights between 6-8 p.m. there will be programs for children 9 years old and up. There will be games, movies, books science and/or arts and crafts. Besides the 2 teen book clubs, we have added a younger age DCF book club for the month of July.

Plans for Valley Strolls – June 30th we will be building fairy houses for our “Evening Fairy Garden Stroll”. Magician, Jay McMahon will perform at 5p.m. On July 28th for the Blueberry Block Party, we have scheduled “Bash the Trash” out of NYC. They will perform for us and people will be invited to make musical instruments out of recyclable materials.

Old Business: Carolyn Palmer will contact Fred Skiwirt about replacement for our side door. She will also try to contact John Smith about repairing our front stairs from Irene damage.

Franklin Reeve moved to adjourn the meeting at 5p.m., Louis Clark seconded, so voted.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, July 10, 2012 at 4 p.m.