

**Joseph Plumb Memorial Library –
Rochester Minutes for Meeting of the Board of Trustees**

Meeting: January 12, 2017

Attendance:
Rhonda Reints – Vice Chair
Winston Sharples – Chair
Mary-Patrice Ruocco – Building Committee
Noelle Johnson - Secretary
Phoebe Butler
Gail Roberts- Director

Meeting came to order at: 6:30 pm

Next meeting scheduled for Thursday, February 9 @ [6:30 pm](#)

MINUTES

Minutes for December Meeting approved. Rhonda made a motion to approve; Phoebe seconded; unanimous.

REPORTS

Financial Report – Refer to report for complete details

- Approval for FY17 budget expected sometime in spring after school's budget weighs in and selectmen vote
- 51% of FY16 budget spent

Director's Report – See report for complete details

- Big NEA Big Read project in the works including the school (seniors) and the tri-town libraries.
 - Elise at the school is working on the grant
 - The book is Station 11, which is a post apocalyptic type book. It was chosen from a NEA reading book list because of its potential to appeal to many different people and reading interests.
 - Concerts, scenes from King Lear, Museum of Civilization activities for the younger crowd, and gamers can all be considered to include a wide audience.
 - Friends are gathering letters of support.
 - Gail would like to get the author to come but she is very expensive
- Another idea is to take the library to area restaurants by inviting speakers of interesting topics and the general public to meet and learn and receive a suggested reading list that deals with the subject matter.
 - Winn suggested that he could get Roger Berkowitz to talk about the plight of the fishing industry.

Friends –

1. Friends Holiday fair auction made \$1504. Total profit \$2027

Building Committee --

OLD BUSINESS:

- Lions Club started buying 2 large print books each month and has been slowly growing our large print collection.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Looking into getting Nancy to do some sort of container gardening activity for adults and older children
- Opportunity for free mobile charging station from EBSCO

OTHER:

- Gail will bring collection development information to the next meeting.
- Phoebe and Rhonda need to get papers from Town Hall if they want to run again.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mary-Patrice made a motion to adjourn; Phoebe seconded; Unanimous.

Respectfully submitted,
Noelle Johnson - Secretary