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

Meeting: 10th, 2012 8:30am

Attendance: Phoebe Butler Chair

Dennis Desrosiers Treasurer
Jay Williams Secretary
Wendy Keeler Trustee
Elizabeth Owen Trustee
Gail Roberts Director

Guests: Win Sharples Candidate Trustee

Meeting came to order at: 8:40 a.m.

Next [regular] meeting tentatively scheduled for: April 7th @ 8:30 a.m.

MINUTES

Minutes for February approved.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Gail presented the Director's Report and the numbers were reviewed (see report for detail).

- Town will be switching to Comcast for phone service in April to save \$. Library will keep existing internet access plus additional line and cable TV access.
- New agreement with Constellation Energy for electric utilities that will save library @\$300
 per month.
- "New" metal chairs to replace old wooden ones are arriving.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Makepeace grant submitted by Gail for furnishings for the basement; deadline by March 5th. Request was submitted for \$8000.
- Dennis asked about progress of obtaining a quote from Mike for elevator for the basement access. Also wanted to ask about when he will be able to start work again in basement; would like to get a hard date to commit to. Gail will ask Mike about these issues.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Much ad hoc discussion on digital media and libraries responsibility with ebook sharing.
 Wendy described how easy it could be to copy ebook files from an ebook reader to a personal computer and then share those files with others. What is the library's responsibility in this event when this is done from their devices?
- Gail will be away next week for Public Library Association meeting in Philadelphia. Lisa will be here alone on Friday and Saturday as Gail will be away and Jen will be on vacation in the latter part of the week. Gail asked if trustees had the time to check in with Lisa on those days to see if she needs assistance.
- Woman's club and Rochester landtrust will be doing cleanup day on April 22nd. Wendy
 asked if this could be included in the library newsletter. Signup is at the Women's club
 and possibly at the library front desk.

FRIENDS:

Considering changes for the yearly booksale, by having it the same day the church has
the yardsale on the common. This would cut down on the work involved and should also
expose the books to a larger crowd.

- Brainstorming for ways to raise money.
 - Sell bags of Artisan cookies
 - Raffle basket Fundraiser for mother's day
 - "Night out at Chili's" coupons; Friend's of Library receive a donation for each coupon redeemed
- SEE REPORT

ADJOURNEMENT:

Meeting was adjourned at: 9:32 a.m. Phoebe moved, Elizabeth seconded.

Respectfully submitted, Jay Williams, Secretary