

Kingston Public Library
Board of Trustees
Meeting minutes for December 1, 2008

On December 1, 2008, a meeting was held of the Kingston Public Library Board of Trustees. Present were: Brian McWilliams, chair, Cynthia Fitzgerald, Joyce Rossi, Valerie Spence, treasurer, Vanessa Verkade, and Spencer Clough, secretary.

The meeting opened at 7:25 p.m.

1. Minutes: for the October 27th and November 14th, were passed upon a motion by Ms. Spence and seconded by Ms. Fitzgerald.
2. Heritage Center: The Board of Selectmen changed the status of the library's position on the Heritage Center Committee to that of a liaison position. The Heritage Center Committee will be conducting a survey of Kingston residents regarding the future of the Adams Building and its uses. The library will assist by providing electronic access to the survey from the library website.
3. Friends of the Library: Ms. Verkade attended the Friends meeting on November 14th and will attend the December 5th meeting.
4. Meeting room requests: there were none.
5. Courtyard and gardens: no news was reported.
6. Director's report: staff issues were addressed, FY 2010 budget request: the director's narrative addressed concerns about the business of the library and potential for loss of library certification due to cuts in revenue, this may have implications for LSTA grants; Wage and Personnel requests are due Dec. 12th, the director may request a reclassification of librarians with their MLS; the deadline for the CPA grant for the Powder House relocation was missed; the director requested the formation of a planning committee to assist with the next 5 year plan, requiring coordination with fundraising, the community, staff and the trustees; Ms. Spence and Ms. Verkade volunteered. Dates: Dec. 20, Luminary night with members of TAB; Dec. 24, close at 1:00; Dec. 31, close at 5:00.
7. Staff reports: were received from the Reference librarian, Archivist, and the Teen Advisory Board.
8. Payment of Bills: none.
9. Next meeting: Jan. 5, 2009 at 7:15 p.m.
10. Meeting closed at 9:05 p.m.

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