

Jacob Edwards Library

Minutes of August 19, 2014

The Library Trustee meeting of August 19, 2014 began at 12:05 PM. Present at the meeting of were Trustees Gary Bridgman, Robin Weber, James Dyer, Mel Blake, Chairman Dick Whitney and Library Director Margaret Morrissey. Tammie Darling was present to record the minutes. The minutes of the July 15 meeting were read. Robin Weber motioned to approve the July minutes, Gary Bridgman seconded. So voted.

Since Paula Dacoles was not present at the meeting, Gary Bridgman volunteered to bring the financial statements to her and ask her for direction with the statements. Gary also stated that he will send a letter to David Maxwell at US Trust regarding the Library's tax-exempt status. Gary Bridgman motioned to accept the "Legal List" which is a list of investments for the Library's endowment account. Mel Blake seconded. So voted. The list was distributed to the Trustees and signed.

Under the category of old business, Dick Whitney notified the Trustees that he is moving forward with Kara Joyce for editing the 100th Anniversary book. Dick reminded the Trustees of the trustee training session on August 28 and that Google will be coming to the Library on November 20 for a presentation. Margaret Morrissey suggested that the Trustees consider displaying items from the last 100 years in a display case instead of a time capsule. Dick reminded the Trustees of the vacancy on the board since Father Peter Joyce resigned.

Chairman's Report - Dick Whitney reported to the Trustees that he had a meeting with the interim Town Manager Kevin Paicos on August 18th regarding the abandoned house behind the retaining wall that the Town seeks to obtain. Similarly, there is also a house on Foster Street for sale next to the parking lot. Dick Whitney advanced the idea that the Trustees consider purchasing. Gary Bridgman would like a specific proposal from the Town Manager. At this time, the Trustees walked outside to view the properties discussed. The Trustees will schedule a meeting with the Town Manager to discuss.

Director's Report – Margaret Morrissey distributed her report to the Trustees and reviewed various projects and upcoming programs.

Under the category of new business, Robin Weber motioned to stipend poet Jared Demick \$300 for a poem to use in the 100th Anniversary book. Dick Whitney seconded. So voted.

Mel Blake motioned to send flowers to Paula Dacoles (not to exceed \$75). James Dyer seconded. So voted.

James Dyer made a motion to adjourn, Gary Bridgman seconded. The meeting ended at 1:15 PM. The next meeting will be held on September 23, 2014 at 12 pm.

Approved September 23, 2014