

# **Fletcher Memorial Library**

## Special Board Meeting    March 12, 2015

Present: Chair, Sue Hochstetter, Margaret Haraghey, Sonja Larsen, , Anne Christie, Lee Astin

Citizens present: Dayna McDermott

The meeting was called to order at 4:05 pm

Dayna McDermott requested that the minutes of Feb. 5 be amended to add the statement read by Sue Hochstetter regarding Linda Gorman.

A motion was made and approved by the Board to include verbatim the statement that was read by Sue. The statement is as follows:

“The Board recognizes and appreciates Linda Gorman’s six years of service to the Fletcher Memorial Library. It regrets the circumstances that resulted in the complaint being filed with CHRO and sincerely wishes her all the best in future years.”

The minutes of Feb. 5 were approved as amended.

The treasurer’s report was reviewed. A couple of questions came up that Luci can address at next months meeting.

The librarian’s report was reviewed.

Deb reported on events, ongoing and future. In March, she is having a St. Patrick’s Day and Dr Seuss B-Day celebration with 2 story hours on March 14. She is attending a Quiet Corner Reads mtg in Putnam on March 13, and a CT Libraries Dialogue at the Mansfield Library on March 26. She is continuing her Fri. am Storytimes and will continue with this in April. Mark Davis has offered to do another “Guitar tune-up” on April 4.

She noted that we are having continuing problems with the internet connections and the printers.

Deb sent condolence cards to Lisa Keil whose father, Charles Rickson passed away, and to Patricia Donahue, whose husband passed away.

Sue will call Brennan Electric to look into having the back room computer hard wired, as well as to replace a light in the back and a broken fan switch in the childrens room.

The asst. librarian's report was given. Sonja and Lee are going to review the History Room collection to see what size of a locked cabinet will be needed so that a suitable location can be determined. Given the constraints of the room, a cabinet may need to be built in to the room, as opposed to the purchase of a free-standing unit.

Additions to the agenda: none

A discussion was held on overdue, lost or damaged books, as well as book renewals and reservations. Sue presented a Draft policy on this topic, many elements of which are consistent with other libraries policies. The draft will be revised and brought before the Board at the next meeting.

The 5 yr. plan discussion was tabled.

The street sign was discussed. Anne brought a sketch of what it might look like. Sue is going to pursue this in conjunction with the proposed town signage, as it is agreed that we would like to be consistent in general style and font with the town. The cost of granite posts vs. wood-look posts will be determined.

Still waiting for snow melt to determine other exterior maintenance issues.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne Christie