

Minutes of Quechee Library Trustees' Meeting

March 9, 2015

Attending: Brian Chaboyer (secretary), Dave Izzo (President), Katie McCarthy, Kate Schaal (Library Director), Merrilyn Tatarczuch-Koff (Vice-president)

Absent: Bill Eastwood (Treasurer), Kathleen Hickey, Jim Schmidt

Bill Eastwood's written treasurer's report was read and discussed. Everything is in order, with income and expenses pretty much in agreement with budget projections. The recent, one time anonymous donation of \$15,000 put us in good financial shape, and \$10,000 has been transferred from our checking to our investment account at Wells Fargo. This may allow the library to make some capital improvements this summer. Potential projects include improving the drainage near Willard Road, painting the parking lot lines and new windows in the office. The report was accepted.

Kate Schaal presented her written report, The report was accepted, with a discussion of a few issues:

1. The Vermont Department of Libraries has reimbursed net lenders such as the Quechee Library ~ \$700 – \$1000 per year to cover the cost of postage for interlibrary loans, but this reimbursement ends this year and we will have to absorb the mailing cost of interlibrary loans. The state department is also studying improvements to the statewide union catalog. While good, this may cause our loans to increase further. Nick is on the study committee.
2. A new Vermont Humanities Council discussion series premieres here on June 15: Fear No Labor.
3. A book discussion for Vermont Reads 2015 is scheduled for Tuesday, March 31 at 5:30 p.m.
4. Combined circulation for Quechee/Wilder Libraries is up for 6% for the year at this point.
5. Holding a benefit concert is a good idea, but the library is not a suitable space for such a concert, and it is not clear if the Quechee Club would be willing to host such an event.

Brian briefly discussed the option of building a new library shed, and will contact the town to obtain a permit.

The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for April 13 at 5:00pm.

Meeting adjourned at 5:50pm.