

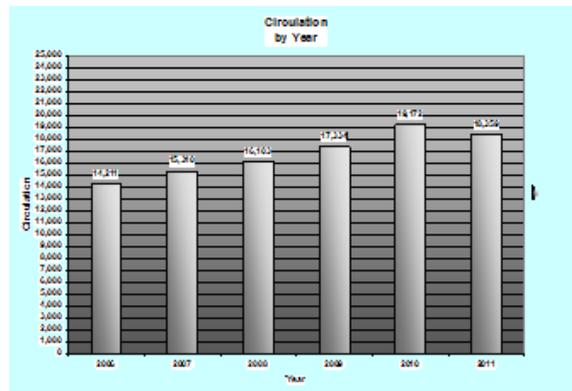
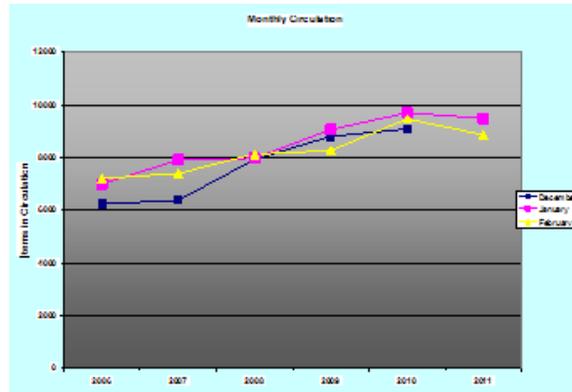
GILFORD LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Minutes of March 8, 2011 Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 A.M. In attendance were Katherine Dormody, Robert Kammeraad, Jack Lacombe, Weldon Bosworth and Steve Geer. Susan Cutillo was absent. Kate Hamel, representing Friends of the Library, was also present.

I. Reports and Programs

A. Monthly Circulation



Circulation was down slightly over last February but up over other years. The weather has been a factor as we were closed 2 entire days and closed early on another day this month. Some collections did better than others including biographies, children's fiction, magazines, and dvds. The cookbooks have been sorted and we are about 1/3 of the way through on labels-

please note that even in a month of no overall increase, the 600s (which includes cookbooks) showed a 22 % increase over last February. Online renewal also continues to increase with a 30% increase over last year.

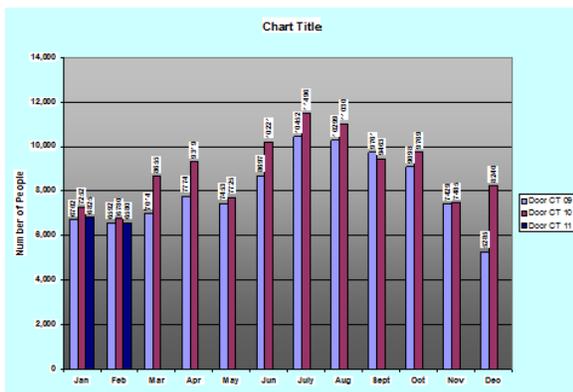
B. Programs-

Shaping memory classes ended and had great evaluations. Participants all wanted to continue but we will not offer this as an ongoing program as it does require a lot of staff time. The Philosophy Club continues with regulars coming. Our monthly “special” program drew only six probably due to subject matter- fly-fishing. This month we have a landscaping program as well as a CSI program with Gilford Police. We have 2 more 6-week preschool sessions before the summer reading program. Read Across America Day with our annual b-day party for the Cat in the Hat is today (April 2nd). We are discontinuing Family Matinees and will be doing drop-in craft Saturdays once a month instead.

C. Volunteer Hours

Volunteer hours are up slightly over last year which is amazing considering the weather. We really have a dedicated bunch right now. The one volunteer we had spending many hours in the Children’s Room did find a paying job and we will miss her but she promises to come back for a couple hours a week.

D. Door Counts



Door counts are down slightly following the pattern in circulation.

II. Old Business

- A. Evaluations – The new form that will be used by the Town was reviewed and discussed. It was decided that the library will generally follow this format.
- B. Social Media Policy – The Town’s new social media policy was discussed at length. Many of the conditions in the policy do not really apply to library operations and various modifications were discussed. After a number of proposals on how to re-write it specifically for library use, Katherine was charged by the Board to incorporate the various suggestions into a new draft for review at next month’s meeting.
- C. Spring Newsletter- Status was updated. After discussions with the Friends of the Library who will be underwriting the postage it was decided that the first one will be snail-mailed out in the June July time frame.
- D. Non-appropriated and Town-appropriated budgets were discussed. It was noted that the total cost for electricity and heat for the library for last year was approximately \$20,000. This was significantly less than other Town buildings once size and use are considered. Geo-thermal is saving us money!!

III. New Business

- National Library Week- Katherine discussed plans for celebrating National Library Week. Activities will include one-a day community representatives “doing their thing”.
Volunteer Tea- 2011 plans- April 19th 3-4 p.m.
Annual Conference- NHLTA. Steve and Jack indicated they would be attending.
E-books - Harper Collins is changing their price structure.
Personnel – A pay increase for Jesse was approved.

IV. Adjournment

Upon a motion the meeting was adjourned at 10:20. The next meeting will be April 12, 2011 @ 8:30 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Weldon Bosworth, Secretary

