

GILFORD LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Minutes of the April 10, 2012 Meeting

The meeting was called to order at 8:38 a.m. In attendance were Katherine Dormody, Jack Lacombe, Kate Bishop Hamel, Steve Geer, and Daryl Thompson.

I. Minutes

The minutes for the March 2012 meeting were accepted.

II. Election of Officers

Chair – Jack Lacombe
Co-Chair – Daryl Thompson
Treasurer – Steve Geer
Secretary – Sue Cutillo
Co-Secretary - Kate Bishop Hamel

III. Reports

A Monthly Circulation

March was down 8% over last year, but still the busiest year we have ever had. A 10% increase in new borrowers and an 84% increase over last year in downloadables.

B Programs

The Cat in the Hat program was well attended and successful. National Library Week is next week and there are special guest for our Storytimes, including the school bus, police & fire and the street sweeper.

C Volunteer Hours

National Volunteer Week is the week of April 16th and we will be honoring our volunteers at a special Tea on the 17th at 3pm.

D Door Counts

Our door counts were down slightly year over year; however we have over 8500 people.

II. Old Business

A NHLTA Spring Conference

May 21, 2012. All registrations are due to Kate by the end of the month.

B Trustee Training

Katherine will be providing front desk training on 4/10 and 4/24 for all trustees. This will help in the event that Katherine is short staffed due to illnesses or other circumstances that she can have the Trustees cover the desk during these times.

III. New Business

A Personnel/Organizational Chart

Katherine shared the new org chart that includes Tracey Petrozzi as the Children's

Librarian.

B Building Issues

There has been a need to have Granite State & Plumbing on site to review system issues, as well as addressing some electrical issues with ballasts going (in and out of the building). Addressing the needs and also monitoring the issues.

C Overdrive Advantage Program

Subscribe to the service to access downloadables and have access to EBooks, but are also addressing the costs and fact that they charge excessive amounts for some titles. Was a hot topic at the PLA Conference, as there is widespread concern that they are the only program of its kind, but are costing themselves out of the libraries? Hope to have some other choices and fewer costs associated with providing EBooks to our patrons.

D Online Newsstand

The EBSCO interface is currently not working.

E April 11, 2012 @ 7:00pm Selectmen Quarterly Update – Gilford Town Hall

VI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:21 a.m. The next regular meeting will be May 8, 2012 at 8:30 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kate Bishop Hamel, Co-Secretary