

Exeter Public Library Trustees Minutes  
**February 19, 2013**

Present: B. Crespi, F. Donovan, D. Kane, G. Kenney, M. LaFreniere, B. Young, H. Godino  
Absent: J. Henson

**Call to Order:** 6:36 pm. Gwen opened the meeting with roll call.

The Minutes of the January 22 meeting were accepted.

**Correspondence:** -0-

**Director's Report:**

In February the Evening Book Group had a Skype interview with author Kathleen Ken concerning her book, The Wolves of Andover. They then discussed Mark Haddon's book The Red House. Morning Book Group discussed The Flight of Gemma Hardy and its Jane Eyre roots. Both groups continue to gather items for the upcoming Baskets for Books drive; both are submitting baskets. In March the Evening Book Group will be reading Canada by Richard Ford. The Morning Book Group will be reading the nonfiction memoir, The Hare with Amber Eyes: A Hidden Inheritance by Edmund deWaal.

On Wednesday, March 5 at 6:30 PM, the NH Fish and Wildlife Stewards will present Black Bear Happenings in NH.

Our four part Spring Music series begins in March with Regina Delaney and her Irish harp on Tuesday March 12 at 1PM.

For March the sixth graders will read The Light in the Forest and the seventh graders will read White darkness. Five seventh graders have agreed to become TAB members. They decided to meet following their book discussion for a period of 30 minutes.

Friday April 5 at 6:30 PM the library will be open for a miniature gold night, presented by the David Barrows Adventure Fund of the New Hampshire Charitable Foundation. The program is for teens 12 to 18 years of age. They can bring in a can of food for the food bank if they wish. The library will be closing at 1 pm that day so that the course can be erected.

During vacation week we will have open preschool stories on Tuesday and Thursday mornings and afternoons.

Dewey's Book Buds: (3<sup>rd</sup> grade) discuss Kenny and the dragon on March 9 because we were closed due to weather on Saturday, February 9<sup>th</sup> and the Page Turners: (4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> grade) will discuss Theodosia and the Serpents of Chaos on March 9.

Saturday, February 16<sup>th</sup> Book & Art (1<sup>st</sup> grade) listen to, How Ben Franklin stole the lightning and were given their first book to read on their own for March, Pinch and Dash

make soup. Book Bunch: (2<sup>nd</sup> grade) Saturday, March 16 will discuss Lulu and the Brontosaurus. There are a total of 113 children signed up for our book groups.

**Operating Statement:**

The operating statement was accepted; nothing unusual for this time of year.

**Building, Grounds and Technology:**

The snowstorm on February 9 deposited deep snow onto the library decks. When it melted, parts of the walls above the rubber membrane leaked. Tom from the DPW came to help shovel snow on the penthouse deck. The ceiling below that was damaged slightly and will be repaired. Our insurance will cover the repairs.

**Finance and Fundraising:**

The Annual Appeal has brought in \$10,401.

**Long Range Plan**

The Baskets for Books fundraiser will be held at RiverWoods on March 22. The event will begin at 5:30. The tickets will be \$35. Dinner and drinks will be served and there will be a silent raffle. Trustees are collecting the items for the baskets.

**Personnel & Policy: -0-**

**Social:**

April is volunteer month. The library is planning a special event for our volunteers.

**Continuing Business: -0-**

**New Business: -0-**

**Next Meeting: March 26, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.**

Meeting Adjourned: 7:01 pm

Pam Darlington