

Exeter Public Library Trustees Minutes  
**May 21, 2013**

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

**Call to Order:** 6:30 pm. Gwen opened the meeting with roll call.

The Minutes of the last meeting were accepted with one exception. Deb Kane was absent.

**Correspondence:** Gwen read a thank you note from one of our volunteers for the recognition party last month.

**Director's Report:**

On June 12 the evening book group will discuss Sarah's Key and on June 19 the morning group will discuss The Warmth of Other Suns.

The outreach Book Talks are going strong with new attendees at every meeting in all the groups.

On Thursday May 3 we hosted our volunteer appreciation event to thank our faithful volunteers for all the great work they do for the library.

On Tuesday May 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm Rob Garneau presented a slide program called, "Exploring the Eastern Alps in Central Europe".

Our four part Spring Music Series ended in May with Random Acts of Harmony.

Tonight at 6:30 pm the library, in conjunction with the NH Humanities Council, will present a look at the life and times of Exeter during the colonial era in celebration of Exeter's 375<sup>th</sup>. Jere Daniell, former Dartmouth history professor and author, will be our speaker.

Join us on Thursday May 23 from 10-11 am for the rededication of the Nancy Carnegie Merrill Historical Room. Nancy's book Exeter, New Hampshire : 1888-1988 has been republished by the Exeter Historical Society and copies will be available to purchase from local bookstores.

The first through fifth grade book groups ended in April. More than 115 children signed up for our book groups. All the books got solid thumbs up. Sign-ups for next year's groups will begin in September. Book groups will begin meeting again in October.

This is the last session for this school year for both the Toddler Lapsit Program and for the Preschool Story Time; both programs will end the week of June 10th. The theme for both groups is spring stories and crafts.

Summer Preschool Story Time will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:00 am and 2:00 pm. There will also be open story time with no registration is required.

Teen groups have ended for this spring and will begin again in October. All were encouraged to participate this summer in the teen program. The TAB teens met briefly, and talked about the summer planned activities.

**Operating Statement:**

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

**Building, Grounds and Technology:**

The rooftop was repaired. We are still waiting for the mezzanine area to be repaired.

**Finance and Fundraising:**

The Annual Appeal letter for 2013/2014 was discussed. Deb will get a draft complete by the September meeting.

Hope completed the CIP for \$30,000 and has submitted it to the town. This is for a plan for renovations/repurposing of the library area and an upgrade on the HVAC and heating unit. Hope will send a copy to all the trustees.

**Long Range Plan: -0-**

**Personnel & Policy: -0-**

**Social:**

It was decided to have a soup luncheon in the early fall for the staff. Hope will ask them about a good date.

**Continuing Business: -0-**

**New Business: -0-**

**Next Meeting: June 18, 2013 at 6:30 p.m.**

Meeting Adjourned: 7:57 pm

Pam Darlington