

Appraisals- Ron Pelletier gave a quote of \$1500.00 as the value for the library's railroad poster. He will send a written appraisal. The poster was picked up for the museum exhibit.

Volunteers- Myra is developing two types of lists for volunteer duties. She will email them to the board. Myra will use them unless the board has comments about them.

BPL Policy Manual- Tabled until the next meeting. Myra will email her suggestions to the board.

New Business

Gift Cards- Betsy suggested that gift cards be given to the staff, Khiem, and Russ for the holidays. **Upon motion by Ed, seconded by Louise, it was moved to authorize Betsy to purchase 10 gift cards at \$25.00 each from the PTSA. Motion passed unanimously.**

Fine Forgiveness Campaign- A portion of patrons' fines will be forgiven when non-perishable food items are donated to the library between December 12 and December 19, 2009. Proceeds will be donated to Ann Webb for distribution to local residents. Myra will ask Ann for a wish list.

Trustee Hours- Helen asked the trustees to log their hours spent on library matters into the volunteer log book.

Kindles- John inquired about the status of the Kindles. Myra reported that they have over 50 titles downloaded onto them. There is a waiting list of approximately 20 people. It was decided to allow patrons to check out both Kindles to alleviate the waiting list.

2010 Budget Hearing- The Selectmen decided at their last meeting to tentatively allow for a 1% salary line increase for the 2010 budget. There was a discussion about whether to give all of the staff a 1% raise or to increase the line item by 1% and use it for additional staff hours. It was decided to give everyone a 1% raise to stay in line with other Town employees. The Town is continuing with the comprehensive health insurance plan and they will reevaluate it next year.

Anniversary Dates- The board decided to sign a card for each staff member on their anniversary date.

Trustee Duty Summaries- Betsy asked that the officers of the board present a summary of their duties at the next meeting.

Upon motion by Helen, seconded by Ed, the meeting was adjourned at 9:20 pm. The next regular meeting will be held on Thursday, January 7, 2010 at 7 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen Ballou