

Plympton Board of Library Trustees Minutes
September 7, 2013, 8:00am

Present: D. Batson, K. Boyles, T. Cosato, P. Detterman, S. Vetterlein
Absent: M. Boyles, C. Winslow

Minutes of August 3, 2013 Approved

Director's Report:

Building Updates: All Monitors updated (Fire and CO2); Basement still damp--
dehumidifier is old. Deb will see about getting a replacement.

Book Donations: 5+ cartons were pulled and donated to teen program. Still have many
books. Board decided to discard the library "discards" and hold onto donated books until
the fudge/book sale. Board also decided to hold the Fudge/Book sale on the same day
as the Historical Society Fall event. (Kris B. will confirm what that date in November is).

Eagle Scout Project moving along. Cullen will be checking back with the Board at the
October meeting to report on progress.

Summer Reading Program finished up: Very successful (esp. weekly "Find the Gnome"
activity and "Rooney Tunes"--77 participants!). Culminated with "Animal World
Experience."

Web Page Update: Renewed licensing for name for 8yrs.; Working with SAILS staff to
construct web page (will now connect to this new site).

Smart Pay (paying electronically for fines, etc.) set up for free 90 day trial. (must be \$2
charge and carries a 45cent processing fee). *Possible* future use for making donations
and paying for fudge/book sale with credit cards.

Town Complex Study Committee looking for information for building/space needs 10
years from now. Difficult to answer since the future of Libraries themselves is evolving.
Overall, the physical space of the building will be adequate (it would be the USE of that
space that would be in flux). OUTSIDE space (parking, lighting), well-water quality, and
electricity are where the needs will be. Deb will meet with the consultants that the
committee is working with to discuss these needs.

Friends Group: 2 people interested in starting this up. Pulling together information and
this may actually start moving forward!

SAILS updating its system. Tues. 17 and Thurs. 19 should expect system disruption
(cataloguing and placing holds).

Deb spoke about the need to try to help/encourage our library "e-reader" readers to utilize the library electronic resources more. To make them aware of the resources that are out there for them to access electronically.

Discussion: Deb asked the Board to begin thinking about the use of gift monies to provide services, and what services we would want to provide...passes? equipment? training? programming? Brainstorming included coming up with a "Library Coupon" system for offering passes to patrons.

LRP: Deb B. and Tom C. will meet this month to discuss reviewing the Long Range Plan.

Programming: upcoming and ongoing programs include Story Time, Book Discussion, Knitting, Poetry, 1st Saturday Coffees, Legomania, Big Ryan, artist reception, scouts.

Board discussed a request received from a private community group to meet at the Library. Board decided that the group is welcome to use the building, but must meet during regular Library hours.

Meeting adjourned: 9:53 am

NEXT MEETINGS: Saturday, October 5th @8:00am; Saturday, November 2nd @8:00am; Saturday, December 7th @8:00am.