

**Bennington Free Library Board of Directors Meeting
Minutes
September 16, 2014**

Present: Barth VanderEls, Lynne Fonteneau-McCann, Chrissy Morrissey, Maureen Loy, PJ Venti, Kelley Legacy

There was no quorum, so no votes taken and no decisions made. There was only discussion.

Minutes: No vote taken on the minutes of June 17, 2014 .

Finance Report:

Annual Fund- Approximately 550 letters signed and mailed out to prior donors for this year's annual fund request.

Revenue and Expense Reports - no vote taken

FY 2014 Financial Review: had been approved by the Finance Committee and needs approval by full board before November. Lynne will send an e-mail requesting a vote and, in addition, an additional board meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday October 21.

Director's Report:

Included in packet mailed by Lynne
Summer Reading Program had 1,828 participants including 1261 children, 234 adults and 333 readers

Lynne will be filling out the term of Vice President for the Catamount Library Network replacing Paula Baker (Rutland) who has retired.

Barth spoke at the Living History Day in North Bennington about the history of the BFL. Lynne researched and found that the Park-McCullough families gave \$1,500,000 in today's dollars to the Library over the course of 100 years.

At the Library Open House on September 8th "Geek the Library" was announced. 50 libraries in Vermont will be participating.

Wall Works Opening Reception for Greg Winterhalter's takes place on September 27th.

Starting September 29th a community Tree of Wonder will be on display, representing "Wonder" the 2014 Vermont Reads book. "Precepts", a term used in the book for words to live by, will be hung on the tree.

Lynne also announced that Karson's schedule has been changed so she can be available on Thursday evenings for "Device Drop In" hours starting September 25th.

Election of Officers: There was discussion about new potential board members after Lynne announced Jake Cormier and family are relocating to Portland Oregon.

Committee Reports:

A. Personnel and Policy:

Two new part time employees include John Poggi and Jenni Cronin

B. Building and Grounds:

Roof repair, brickwork, painting, heating and cooling updates and repairs have cost

approximately \$11,850. Some repairs, painting and landscaping have not yet been completed.

Other Business:

A. Long Range Planning: to be discussed at the October 21, 2014 meeting.

There being no further business Kelly made motion to adjourn.

Board Meeting Schedule: all the third Tuesday of the month at 4:30PM

October 21, 2014

November 18, 2014

January 20, 2015

March 17, 2015

May 19, 2015

June 16, 2015

Next Meeting: October 21 @ 4:30

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen K. Loy