

Minutes
Dover Town Library Board of Trustees
9 April 2008, 8pm
Library Community Room

Present: Holiday Collins, Kate Haviland, Alison Piper, Diane Sampson-Zenger, Cathy Mitchell, Karen McKoy (arriving at 10pm), Library Director Charlotte Canelli and Guests Beth Paisner, and Tanya Newburg.

The meeting was convened at 8.10pm

1. Announcements: Ms Haviland reminded the board of Town Meeting: 7 pm on Monday 5 May @ Lindquist Commons and the municipal election: 20 May, 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.
2. Approval of Minutes: Ms Sampson moved and Ms Mitchell seconded a motion that the February and March minutes be approved as corrected. The motion passed unanimously.
3. Trustee Reports:
 - a) Legislative Day: Ms. Collins and Ms Canelli attended MLA sponsored Legislative Day April 2, 2008
 - b) Landscaping: Ms Collins reported that she will repeat last year's activities.
 - c) Spelling Bee: Ms. Mitchell reported that the Spelling Bee raised approximately \$8,500.
 - d) Friends Report: Ms. Mitchell reported that the Friends plan to expand their activities to include more programs and additional types of fund raising events.
- 4) Director's Report: Ms. Canelli. Ms Canelli was thanked for her comprehensive report and asked for more information on the proposed raised planters for use as part of the Mix-in Math program. A motion made by Ms Haviland and seconded by Ms Mitchell and passed unanimously authorized Ms Canelli to spend up to \$500 from state aid to purchase improved people counters for both doors. Ms Mitchell volunteered to co-ordinate staffing and refreshments for National Library Week, April 13-19.
- 5) Other Agenda Items:
 - a) Ms Samson moved and Ms Mitchell seconded a motion to authorize Ms Haviland to remove Ms Canelli from probation. The motion passed unanimously.
 - b) After a discussion of the possibility of a third party book sale, Ms Canelli was asked to explore the logistics and report in May.
 - c) MLA Conference in May
 - i) A motion by Ms Sampson, seconded by Ms Mitchell authorized Ms Canelli to use \$100 from state aid to make up the balance of her expenses at the conference. The motion passed unanimously. Discussion of the conference and specifically of the content of Ms. Peirce's presentation to the MLA, prompted the board to discuss and ultimately affirm its commitment to Dewey.
 - ii) Ms Collins moved and Ms Piper seconded a motion that "The board affirms that the Dover Town Library is a Dewey library and to that end we direct Charlotte Canelli to enforce that policy by informing Bonnie Peirce, Head of Children's Services, to immediately stop the reclassification of the children's room materials using the b3ok classification system by any and all staff and to classify and label all new materials using the Dewey classification system. Further, Ms. Canelli shall direct the Head of Children's Services to present a plan to recatalog and reshelve and, as needed, relabel all materials according to the Dewey classification system. A plan detailing this process must be presented to the director by April 25, 2008 and this process will completed by June 30, 2008. Director will report to the board about this plan at the May 2008 meeting". The motion passed unanimously.
 - iii) Ms Haviland moved and Ms Collins seconded a motion that "In as much as the reclassification of the Children's Room materials of the Dover Town Library was not authorized by the board of the trustees, the board directs Charlotte Canelli to instruct Bonnie Peirce to remove all references to her experience with reclassification of the collection the Dover Town Library from her presentation to the Massachusetts Library Association on May 9, 2008, her grant application to the Knight Foundation (cf. http://www.newschallenge.org/top_proposals/09.html), and any and all other venues or media, public and private." The motion passed unanimously.
 - d) Library / Community Center: Ms Collins moved and Ms Sampson seconded a motion to create a sub committee to work with Ms Piper on the Library / Community Center study. The motion passed without dissent. Ms Canelli and Ms Haviland volunteered to serve on the committee.
 - e) Annual Appeal: Ms Canelli was asked to report to the board in May on plans to use the funds raised by the 2007 appeal to improve the Young Adult area. Discussion of the 2008 Appeal will continue in May.
 - f) Summer Hours: A motion by Ms Sampson, seconded by Ms Haviland approved the summer hours beginning on June 14, 2008 and ending on September 6th, 2008.

6. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 11:05.pm

Submitted by Holiday Collins, for Secretary, Karen McKoy

