

**GREENSBORO FREE LIBRARY  
TRUSTEE MEETING**

July 28, 2015  
Meeting Minutes

Present:

Trustees: Diane Irish, Ken Johnston, Hal Gray, Gina Jenkins, Donna Jenckes

Alternates: Becky Arnold, Cathie Wilkinson

Librarians: Debbie Kasper, Emily Purdy

Absent: Mary Metcalf, John Miller, Carol Reynolds

Meeting called to order by Chair at 5:00.

Minutes of 6/30/15 were accepted as presented.

**Librarian's Report:** In Mary Metcalf's absence, Debbie Kasper presented Mary's written report. The lift has been inspected and a new license issued. A part needs to be replaced, but this can wait until the next regularly scheduled service call before the end of the year. The 4th of July book sale made \$539.

**Youth Librarian's Report:** Emily Purdy reported that there were 28 adults and 7 children who attended the heros tour at the Lincoln Noyes cemetery led by Gina Jenkins. The summer free lunch program is attracting some 15 children on Tuesdays and 3 on Thursdays.

**Emergency Plan:** Hal Gray reported that he has been working with Ken Johnson, John Miller, and Diane Irish to finish the updated Emergency Plan. He noted that 911 is the number to call for either the Police or the Fire Department.

**Treasurer's Report:** Donna Jenckes was welcomed back after her medical leave of absence. She noted that donations and grants are both higher than 2014 at this time. She is still working on scheduling a meeting of the Finance Committee, and is starting to look at a pre-buy contract for fuel oil for 2015-2016. Gina Jenkins noted that the NonProfitEasy program shows that most of the people who bought tickets to the summer benefit party have not yet made a gift to the Annual Fund.

**Maintenance Report with Ken Johnston:** The vacuum cleaner is in need of additional repair. Ken reported that he looked at repair versus replacement costs and has decided to replace a needed part. The window repairs in the Young Adult Room have been completed.

**Chair's Report:** The Library has received a letter from the Altman's asking library patrons not to park on their lawn. Ken will talk with a member of the Select Board about this issue.

Diane Irish thanked everyone who helped with the party honoring Gish Jen. The number of attendees was a little lower than in previous years. Gish Jen gave a very interesting talk about her Greensboro associations, and the Galaxy Bookstore provided copies of four of her books for sale. Becky Arnold will write a thank-you letter to Jasper Hill and Hal Gray will thank the Hillstead Brewery for their donations. Diane will write to Gish Jen.

There is new legislation concerning serving beer and wine in public libraries. Mary Metcalf will be asked to keep the Board informed about the response of the Vermont Library Association and how the new law will read.

Diane Irish read her letter of resignation from the Board as of the end of September, 2015. She was thanked for her decades of service to the Library as a board member and will be greatly missed.

**Other Business:** Gina Jenkins asked whether the board meetings could begin at 4 pm rather than 5 pm. Diane Irish said that she would contact Carol Reynolds to see if she could meet at 4 or 4:30. Hal Gray noted that the Library hours listed in the Hardwick Gazette are incorrect. Debbie Kasper said that she would contact the Gazette. Hal also suggested that the new village center designation for the Town of Greensboro may have ramifications for the Library and will find out more about this.

Ken moved to adjourn at 6:05. Hal seconded. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Gina Jenkins, Secretary