

Westhampton Public Library Board of Trustees
April 20, 2017. 7 pm. Main Room,
1 North Road, Westhampton MA

In attendance: Brian Mulvehill, Lynn Cooper, Lynn Gingras Blair, Maureen Dempsey, Mikki Nevins, Carol McMurrich. *Absent:* Andrea Belanger

Call to order: 7:04 PM

Minutes from March meeting: approved

Treasurer's Report:

Balance in Gift Account is \$20,342.42; Building Account is \$6,939.48; State Aid is \$1474.37; Deferred Town Monies is \$28,110.15.

Grand total is \$56,866.42

Director's Report:

- Blair was asked by Laurie Sanders if we are interested in selling any of the community room chairs to Historic Northampton: answer is a resounding no, the chairs get used.
- Solar panels had been going on and off line- company reported that some maintenance was being done, and it has not gone off line since the maintenance was finished.
- Thank-you for our volunteers- Blair canvassed and Tuesday nights work best for volunteers. Suggested May 9th from 7-8 pm.
 - Mikki- crackers and cheese
 - Brian- bake
 - Carol- bake
 - Lynn C- watermelon
 - Maureen- drinks
- Strategic plan: first meeting was a success. Will be sending out a survey. Dempsey makes suggestion that SAT prep, resume writing, etc. is already done at the high school.
- Event: Pandora from the play workshop got a cultural council grant and would like to use the library lawn, would prefer a Saturday or Sunday for a pop-up playground. Blair will indicate our preference for a weekday when the library is open. Trustees agree it would be a fun event and we should proceed.

Friends' Report: no news

Old Business

Review of Poetry Cafe: Agreed the cafe went well. Will repeat in the winter.

Caucus: McMurrich neglected to go to sign at Town Hall after Caucus so we need to write her in for the library trustee. McMurrich will stay at town hall and give out stickers for people to write her in.

New Business:

Grounds clean up: Not sure if Tom was planning to organize a clean-up event like last year, Dempsey will check in with him about that, and the idea of people possibly “adopting” a garden to be responsible for.

Any other business:

- Mulvehill asks how much money we’ve made off the solar panels: somewhere in the neighborhood of \$15,000.000
- Discussion of educating people (particularly high school students!) about CW Mars and all the things that are available to them through the service.

Set date for next meeting: Thursday May 11 at 7 pm.

Meeting adjourned at 7:32 pm.