

WEST TISBURY LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
January 24, 2008

Attending: Trustees: Leslie Baker, Linda Hearn, Hermine Hull, Virginia Jones,
Elaine Pace, Dan Waters
Library Staff: Nelia Decker, Beth Kramer, Colleen Morris
Public: Cheryl Bryan, Barbara Day, Hallie Mentzel, Susan Wasserman

The meeting today at 10:30 a.m. was to discuss "Strategic Planning for Results". Beth has started attending a workshop with this title based on a new book with the same name. Cheryl Bryan agreed to meet with the trustees, friends, staff and any members of the public and facilitate the development of this process.

Beth briefly introduced Cheryl who then chaired the meeting.

A committee of community representatives will be formed to discuss planning for the future needs, goals and objectives of the library. This is similar to a visioning process. The planning process usually takes 4-6 months.

At the next trustees meeting (Feb. 14) and joint friends/trustees (Feb 21) meeting lists of names of people that might be considered for this committee will be presented and discussed. The committee should be made up of 12-15 representatives of the community and be very broad based. Considered should be:

- Two representatives of the Board of Trustees
- Director and staff person
- Recognized community leaders
- Representatives from other non-profit organizations in the town
- Parents
- Someone from high school
- Library users and non-users
- Young people who have returned to Island after attending school off-island or who are currently attending school

Also discussed:

- When to begin these community sessions. There will be two and it was felt they should be held before summer. Dates decided after working with everyone's calendar were April 30 and May 30. Times to be determined.
- Makeup of the committee – (discussed above)
- Budget
- Process of committee selection – telephone calls with follow-up letter

Cheryl Bryan will return to facilitate the April and May meetings.

This part of the meeting adjourned at 12:15 a.m.

The trustees then continued with a short meeting to approve changes to the budget that was approved at the January 10th trustees meeting. Beth has separated out monies that will be on a warrant article that will ask for 15 additional staff hours to maintain the current hours of

operation. These hours were put into place in the last fiscal year without appropriate staffing. Beth also further clarified several items in her budget in a memorandum to the finance committee.

After a short discussion Ginny moved that we accept the budget as revised and Leslie seconded the motion. The Trustees voted unanimously to accept the revised budget.

Elaine moved that we accept the draft warrant article and Linda seconded. The Trustees voted unanimously to accept the revised budget.

Elaine moved that the meeting be adjourned and Dan seconded. The Trustees voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 12:40 p.m.

The next meeting is February 14 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda M. Hearn, Secretary