

## **Pelham Library Board of Trustees** October 14, 2009.

Present: Director, Adam Novitt, Alberta Booth, Jonathan Woodbridge, Marianne Reiff, Francine T. Ozereko, Nora Maroulis.

Absent: Blair Bigelow

Meeting called to order at 7 PM, October 14, 2009.

Minutes were approved and will be sent to Kim and also to Ann for the website.

### **Announcements:**

Warrant was passed around and signed.

Jonathan, Alberta & Gail cleaned closets in the community room and also went through boxes of books behind the desk.

Volunteer appreciation event is on Sunday, Oct 18 at 4 o'clock.

Adam bought \$5000 worth of equipment/books. Finance report will come next month.

### **Old Business:**

Mission Statement - Nora will email the finished statement to all trustees.

Action plan revision - Adam will do a draft and send it to us for a review, then he'll submit it to the MBLC. Nora will email the long range plan to all of us and we'll look it over by the next meeting.

**MONDAY, OCT 26 - APPEAL MAILING PARTY at 6 IN THE COMMUNITY ROOM.**

Fundraising, annual appeal: The appeal letter is ready to go. It will be a generic appeal for funds. The Gneiss News will list that the appeal is on its way.

Gneiss news - Nora is working on the new issue and has a lot of things to ask Adam. They will meet tomorrow at 5.

### **Director's Report:**

Programming:

New "carbon watch" group with monthly speakers begins tomorrow, Oct 15 at 7 PM with the film "Story of Stuff".

Teas: Oct. 24 - Asian themed with Pakistani tea and dancers from UMass.

Nov. 28 (?) - Early music quartet

Dec. 19 (?) - Sword dancers, bell ringers for solstice  
Perhaps Dance Generators for March. They are applying for a PCC grant.

"1491" talk by Charles Mann in November (TBA).

Pastel painting class (demo?) in community room on November 18.

Children's story hour resumes, 10 kids came, big improvement! Desk is not being staffed during children's hour; must wait until it ends to check out materials.

Children's music hour begins Oct 17, PCC grant likely. (Applied for \$800 grant for children's music hour)

Ashley will be doing pumpkin painting with the kids for Halloween.

Wii being used by After School program, and community members can use it after checking with library. It can be "booked" 2 or 3 days ahead.

Giant TV for monthly senior movie after lunch; will be on the last Wednesday of the month at 1 o'clock, open to all seniors.

Art: Any suggestions? Joan Levy's work still in cases in main room of library. Nora suggested that the Pelham Cultural Council may want to take over running the rotating exhibits at the gallery. Nora will talk to Tony, I'll talk to Linda F.

Alyssa Bloom will do a free 6 week yoga class in the community room after the new year.

Grants: Money all spent! Lots of new books, giant tv, Wii. Some big grants were wrapped up, a bit of reportage on grants received left to do.

Applied for RSVP grant to get a senior citizen to help other seniors with kindles and Wii.

Building: Heat on the fritz again, but they're working on it.

Possible stimulus money for energy improvements. Energy council work may be rewarded.

Adam will look into getting a "motion alarm" for the new large tv.

Money: Expect fairly serious mid year report for December.

KOHA - likely implementing in May 2010 to accommodate the school. Now only 8 months away!

**New Business:**

Nora wants to spend more time at the library helping with tasks that need to be done! We should make a schedule for helping in the library - cleaning, shelving, etc....make a list?

Website -we should check it and do some cleaning up, organizing. Once we implement KOHA patrons will be able to access the catalog.

**Trustee Education:**

Make sure we've read up to and including Chapter 10.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30

**Next Meeting: November 19, 7 PM (Note that this is on a Thursday, not Wednesday)**

Respectfully submitted,

Francine T. Ozereko