

Minutes of the Trustees' Meeting of March 19, 2019

Ashland Public Library, Cheever Room

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm.

Present: Trustees Bonnie Mitchell, Carolyn Bell, Kab Rabinowitz, Carol Ambacher, Lornie Bullerwell; Director Paula Bonetti, Children's Director Lois McAuliffe

The minutes of the January 15, 2019 meeting were accepted.

The directional signage for the elevator and above the stairs to the lower level was discussed and Lois will order from Demco.

Possible need for a policy regarding the relationship of trustees, friends and staff was discussed and it was decided that it was not necessary at this time.

Note was made of a new leak from a skylight near the circ desk. There are two brown streaks and some bubbling of the paint. We will notify the Town.

Paula attended the Finance Committee meeting on February 26 and proposed her FY20 budget with an increase of \$15,000. There weren't a lot of questions asked and we are hopeful that we will be granted the additional funds.

David Foster has been hired to be the new Project Manager for Warren Woods. We have no plan yet to replace him. The current manager of town properties likes to outsource cleaning help and we have concerns about this because Joe, our current evening custodian, is not just a cleaner but a presence in the building at a time when we have only one person per floor.

Linda Beckwith's last day will be May 23. We hope to hire her replacement in time for her to be trained by Linda.

There was quite a discussion concerning use of the Schiesske Room by candidates for the selectman position. The Library Meeting Room Policy does not allow for such use and the candidates' requests were refused.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:12 pm.

The next meeting of the trustees will be April 16, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

Kab Wypler Rabinowitz, Secretary

