Minutes of the Trustees’ Meeting of January 15, 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 November 20, 2018 meeting were approved as emended.

The selectmen have approved naming the main conference room in honor of Robert E. Schiesske. We plan to put a plaque on the left side of the doors, to read “In memory of Robert E. Schiesske.” We discussed putting up a few photos of him, along with some biographical information, on a wall of the meeting room. Paula will contact NEC Trophies and Karl Hakansson regarding this.

Lornie and Paula will attend the ceremony on January 24 at which the Middlesex Bank will present to us their gift of $15,000. The trustees will suggest to the Friends that the money be used to expand the museum pass program and Christine Poirier’s art programs.

The FY20 budget: we have asked for an additional $12,000 for a total of $385,961. For the first time in 12 years, we are getting our full state aid allowance!

Report of the Children’s Director: we received the $350 online software grant for the summer reading program.

So far, 100 people have looked at the Kanopy program and nine people have viewed a movie.

The Art Exhibition Policy has been amended to include “Artworks should be framed, with wires for hanging.”

The meeting was adjourned at 8:33 pm.

The next meeting of the trustees will be February 19, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,

Kab Wypler Rabinowitz,
Secretary