Webster Free Public Library Trustees Meeting March 25, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 4:12. Present were Nancy Pitchall-French, President, Marty Bender, Treasurer, Cathryn Clark-Dawe, Librarian, Leslie Collins, Secretary, and Sue Barnes.

Sue Barnes stepped down as President. Her years of service, commitment and enthusiasm are greatly appreciated, and thankfully she will be continuing as a volunteer.

The Secretary's report was read and accepted.

The Treasure's report was reviewed and accepted. Marty commented that the auditor was pleased with the accounting practices.

Old Business

Museum passes were explored; their use, cost effectiveness and renewal. It was decided to discontinue the pass to The Historical Society and subscribe to The Farm Museum in Milton by unanimous vote. Ideas were explored on how to get the word out to Webster residents about the availability of passes. Methods used presently include communications in The Grapevine, at town meeting, home via students at WES and to new residents. Roberts Greenhouse is another possible avenue for communication.

Possible presentations were discussed to bring meaningful discussions to Webster residents and to help increase attendance at the library. A free presentation from The Department of Environmental Service will be pursued by Nancy, with a target date of a Saturday in May. Cathryn will contact Steven Taylor from the Humanities Council and check on his availability for a latter Saturday in October.

Steve Manning is working on the six end caps.

The library's operating budget was approved at town meeting.

New Business

All three trustees will be attending the New Hampshire Library Trustees Association Conference on Monday, May 18, 2015. Marty will send in the registrations.

The Rural Libraries Grant is not needed at this time. Cathryn has applied for a grant to support the summer program.

Leslie Collins has been sworn in as a trustee on March 18th and will be attending an orientation workshop on April 22, 2015.

Respectfully submitted, Leslie Collins Secretary