# POMFRET PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING January 10, 2017

**IN ATTENDANCE**:- Liz Cartier, Ann Hinchman, Ann Hennen, Barbara Saperstein, Ginger Lusa, Cathy Darigan, Sylvia Danenhower, Sally Rogers, Laurie Bell

Liz Cartier moved to accept the minutes of Nov. 1, 2016, BS- Seconded; Passed

## Treasurer's Report

#### Laurie Bell

• We are exactly at 50% of our budget for the year, so we are in good shape.

## Librarian's Report

#### Laurie Bell

- LB submitted her Annual Report that goes to the public
- Low attendance for unknown reason, except that the Y has pre-school swim time at the same time. We are now seeing only kids with stay at home parents. Switching story hour to Wednesday morning. Every other Tuesday morning Kristin will be doing an outreach program at Village Green Pre-K in Brooklyn.
- \$300 earned in Friends Book sale in December. Will enlarge the Friends Book Sale area of the library into the knitting/book group room and moved Teen Room to the front.
- Emphasis on Technology programs: Tech Soup (2/16) (lunch w/Friends about how to use Hoopla and Overdrive among other things; Fake News lecture (2/16) and Cut the Cord (3/16); Monthly writing group for adults.
- Report on Physical circulation vs. e-media: 69% is books. Of that 6.4% is ebooks. Audio circulation: 11%, of that 48.2% is downloads; Video- 20%, 6.7% of which are downloads. Hoopla will need more \$ next year.
- 926 titles were downloaded. If you assume \$15/title= \$13,890 is the value. But we spent \$2324 for Hoopla. Great deal!

# Friends of the Library Report Ann Hinchman

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# **Committee Reports**

#### Old Business

#### **Update on Sewer Project**

• Not moving along very fast. Spring before anything happens

#### Update on Parking Lot

• Selectmen are aware of it and hope to start in the Spring to put in a gravel parking lot.

## Moving forward with building project:

- Budget needs to be in to the Selectmen tomorrow! Ann got an extension.
- Discussed possibility of setting up a building fund for the addition.

#### January- Survey Month

- Various ways to disseminate it: Pomfret Times (\$125 for 1800 copies)
  Senior Center, Town Hall, Library to put hard copies, PCS School Newsletter, CARE program at Rectory, Churches in town.
- Laurie sent the online one to us to try it out. She shared the hard copy with us.
- Board members should schedule a time to come in and do the in-person interviews/survey at the library.
- E-mail groups on-line.
- Put it on the Web site and on Facebook Page

#### New Business

#### Compilation of current and collected data into a document

• Formed 2 Committees: Strategic Plan (BS, SR, CD, SD) and Library Planning Guide (GL,LB, AHi, AHe)

#### LC moved to adjourn; CD seconded ; Adjourned at 8:38PM

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