

Thomas Memorial Library Board of Trustees
Minutes of Meeting: Thursday, May 17, 2012 at 6:30 pm

In Attendance:

RuthAnne Haley, *Chair*
Ken Piper, *Secretary*
Blaine Grimes, Judith McManamy, and Lee Ruddy *Trustees*
Jay Scherma, *Library Director*
Jessica Sullivan, *Town Councilor*

Absent:

Molly MacAuslan, and Julia Bassett Schwerin, *Trustees*

Agenda:

- 1. Call to Order:** 6:35 PM **RuthAnne**
- 2. Approval of Meeting Minutes**
Motion: Accept minutes of April 26, 2012 Meeting.
Result: Unanimously approved
- 3. Library Director's Report (April)** **Jay**
 - Circulation numbers are down but not significantly.
 - Attendance for the programming activities has been excellent.
- 4. Latest from Town Council**
 - The Town Council voted 5-2 to put a referendum on the November 2012 ballot for the Library Project. Language of the referendum TBD at next Council meeting.
- 5. First of Public Discussions on the Library Project**
 - A Public Discussion on the Library Project will be held on 5/31 at 7 PM in Council Chambers of Town Hall.
- 6. School Board Presentation**
 - On May 8, Jay made a presentation to the CE School Board using a slideshow to timeline the process. The presentation was well received as was the message of the Library as being complementary to the education of the community: for school readiness, during vacations and after school, as well as post-graduation.
- 7. TML Vision Sub-Committee**
 - Met and discussed goal of engaging more of the town in the discussion.
 - Planning of neighborhood discussions and tours. Jay, RuthAnn, and Ken (5/15)
 - Jay working on article for the Courier.
 - FAQ: Julia and Judith will work on the FAQs.
 - Molly and Blaine have worked on brochures, need to bring to meeting.
 - Jay, RuthAnn and Ken will send out invitations for meetings with key groups (5/15).
- 8. Confirmation of Meeting:** The next TMLBoT meeting is scheduled for June 14, 2012 at 6:30 PM in the Community Room of the TML.

9. Adjournment: 8:52 PM.

Citizen Participation at Meetings & Workshops

TMLBoT Meetings and workshops: The purpose of the monthly meeting and the occasional workshop is primarily for the Board of Trustees to conduct the business of the Board in accordance with its Charter and by-laws. Prior to Board discussion on any item, members of the public may speak on each agenda item for not more than three minutes each and up to a total of 15 minutes. If there are more speakers than the time available, the Chair may allocate the speaking time in order to balance the debate. The public participation portion shall conclude when the Board of Trustees begins its discussions.