

MINUTES LIBRARY GOVERNING BOARD: September 14, 2016. IN ATTENDANCE: Richard Golden, Chairman, Hillary Kuhl, Jo-Jean Keller & Sally Lunt. Absent: Claire Paquette. Also in attendance: Diane Nadeau, Library Director.

Chairman Golden called the Governing Board meeting to order at 6:30 PM. The Board reviewed the August 2016 circulation statistics. Miss Keller noted that children's books circulation remained high even after the Summer Reading Program ended in early August. She also noted that Inter Library Loan Services continue to be popular with our patrons as well as our materials requested by area libraries.

Mrs. Lunt noted that 23 citizens became patrons of the library in August. She asked if all were new to the community. Mrs. Nadeau verified that most were new to our Lisbon community but a few new patrons have been residents of Lisbon for several years but now require services that the Library Department provides. These services include public computers, audio books download and ILL services.

The Board also reviewed the final reports for the Summer Reading Program and "Cricket Camp Outreach Program." Mrs. Kuhl noted that her children took part in both programs and had a good experience, read lots of new books and enjoyed the weekly crafts, science experiments and outdoor activities. All agreed that the summer programs benefit the children of our community. All members of the Board were pleased to hear that fall children's programs have begun. These include weekly Pre-School StoryTime, the Lego and Chess Clubs, and the Steam Lab Science program. Mrs. Lunt noted the report included an update on the library garden and building. She again thanked PW employees for assisting the Friends of the Library, which she also represents, in their efforts to repair and save the waterfall/pond for children and their families to enjoy. She noted that the eaves work that is scheduled to begin mid September will complete the exterior improvements to the library building. The Board agreed the improvements to the building will serve the community well for many years to come.

The Board reviewed the plans for the October 15, 2016 Mary Lou Schalk Commemoration event. The Friends of the Library and staff are working with the Schalk family. The beautiful stained glass artwork and the slate memorial plaque will be "officially" dedicated at this event.

Mrs. Lunt noted that invitations have been sent to family, friends and Town Officials and the event is open to the Lisbon citizens as well. Miss Keller noted that the stained glass artwork is a beautiful addition to the front of the library building.

The Board spent approximately 1 hour reviewing documents, e-mails and information about the statewide MiLS System that the library is considering as a replacement to the current Mandarin System. The MiLS System would allow the Lisbon Library to continue and expand the Inter Library Loan service to all Lisbon residents with from their computers, pads and all other tech devices and move our library forward into the next generation of statewide library services. The Board voted unanimously 4-0 to approve and recommend to the Town Manager and Library Director to move the Lisbon Library forward into the MiLS system in a reasonable and workable period of time.

There was no further Governing Board business therefore the meeting was adjourned at 7:42 PM. The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 12, 2016 at 6:30 PM.

