

**Rice Public Library
Board of Directors' Meeting: Archive Copy
February 9, 2016**

Present: Rachel Dennis, George Dow, Dave Harris, Elyse Kehl, Lee Perkins and Bill Tredwell

Excused: Dudley Bierau

Meeting called to order at 6:35 p.m. by President Rachel Dennis.

Director's report: The library will begin to pay for internet access due to reduced e-rate funds. Health insurance is increasing by 8.5%. Jenny will receive \$2000 from a Thaxter grant to purchase children's non-fiction science books.

New Library: Lee met with Mike Lassell. The new library would be built closer to the KCC. One row of parking will be added. Rachel will contact Steve Workman about a joint meeting on March 16. Lee will continue to explore the pros and cons of becoming a town department.

Rachel reiterated the talking points for the new library: 1 story, handicapped accessible, highest green level possible and 20,000 square feet, in order to provide the best service to our patrons.

The charrette committee will visit Discover Portsmouth on March 1.

Bill proposed a property swap with the town as a way to get the library built on town land.

Motion: Dave motions that George will become co-treasurer with Dudley, assuming the same responsibilities, including transferring money, paying bills and monitoring the budget. Bill seconds. Motion passes unanimously.

Lauren Pray, a newly hired staff member, will begin to record the board meetings.

The board will begin Lee's annual evaluation.

Thank you notes will be written by the following board members: February - Rachel, March - Dave, April - Bill, May - George, June - Elyse, July - Dudley and August - Doug.

The April board meeting was changed to April 12.

The board interviewed Doug Greene and voted to accept him as a board member.

Motion: Dave motions to adjourn the meeting at 8:10. George seconds. Motion passes unanimously.

Board minutes recorded by:

Rachel Dennis
Board President