

**BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2017
MASHPEE LIBRARY CONFERENCE ROOM**

Present: Joan Lyons, Carlo D’Este, Kate Milde, and Allen Waters.

Absent: Mark Wright, and Mary LeClair.

Also Present: Kathy Mahoney – Library Director

Audience: Sandra Horsman – Mashpee Resident
Janine Mills – Visitor from U.K.

Joan Lyons, Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:09 p.m.

Public Discussion

Sandy Horsman said she came to this meeting because she is interested in becoming a member of the Board of Trustees. She will submit her signed papers to Town Clerk shortly. Sandy said she loves the library and she says she has a lot of experience serving on boards. The Trustees welcomed Sandy to the meeting and were pleased to hear of her interest in serving on the Board.

Janine Mills said she currently lives in the U.K. but is thinking of relocating to the Cape. She saw the posting for the librarian position and that prompted her to attend this meeting. The Board welcomed Janine to the meeting.

Approval of Minutes

Kate Milde motioned to accept the Regular Meeting minutes of January 10, 2017 as presented.

Motion was seconded by Carlo D’Este.

VOTE: Yes-3; 1-Abstain.

Roll Call Vote:	Carlo D’Este, yes	Allen Waters, abstain
	Kate Milde, yes	Joan Lyons, yes

Friends of the Mashpee Library

Kate Milde reported that the Friends are working hard—some of the projects include the following:

- Working on a celebration garden.
- Updating Friends membership list.
- Planning to do an annual fund campaign sometime in the summer, which would replace Friends’ membership fee.
- Selander event on April 20th from 12-4 p.m. at the Library to coincide with Library birthday celebration.
- Castleberry Fair to be held in August.
- Raised about \$2,000 from the Geraldine Brooks event.

Kathy Mahoney commented that since there is already the landscape plan project in place, perhaps the Friends and Trustees should discuss what approach is to be taken—for instance, are we committed to using the Talbot Landscape Plan, or what will be done. Joan Lyons is going to contact Ann MacDonald to set up a meeting with Ann, Carolyn Markowski, Kate Milde, Kathy Mahoney, and Joan to discuss the matter.

Library Director's Report

The Library Director's report for the month of January was reviewed. In addition, Kathy provided a copy of the 2016 Mashpee Public Library Annual Report.

Kathy advised the Trustees that:

- Library budget that was submitted was approved by the Board of Selectmen last night. The Library budget now goes to the Finance Committee and then to Town Meeting in May for approval.
- Library website development proposal will probably be sent out sometime next week.

Library Trustee By-Laws

Kathy mentioned that the Trustee By-Laws should probably be reviewed and updated. Carlo D'Este agreed and said this would be a good time to review the By-Laws and to look at the MOU as well. Carlo and Joan agreed to review the By-Laws and said they would like to have one other Trustee join them in this effort. Carlo will report on the By-Law review at the next Trustee meeting.

Communications...None.

Additional Topics

Carlo D'Este advised that he is up for re-election to the Board of Library Trustees this year. He explained that the reason he stayed as long as he has on the Board was because of library staffing issues that have plagued the Library. Carlo said it has taken at least 17 years for Town to staff the Library due to economic or other constraints.

Carlo said he feels now that we have a solid step for decent staffing for this Library, it is time for him to step back; and so he will not be running for re-election in May. Carlo said he will inform the Town Clerk that he does not plan to run again.

Next Meeting ... 4 p.m. on Tuesday, March 14, 2017 in the Library Conference Room.

Adjournment...

Carlo D'Este motioned to adjourn the meeting.

Motion was seconded by Allen Waters.

VOTE: Yes-4.

Roll Call Vote:	Carlo D'Este, yes	Kate Milde, yes
	Allen Waters, yes	Joan Lyons, yes

The meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Giliberti
Recording Secretary

LISTED DOCUMENTS

Library Director's Monthly Report for January-2017
2016 Mashpee Public Library Annual Report