

Belgrade Public Library
Trustees Meeting
February 5, 2009

Those in attendance: Michael Barrett, Loyce Haslett, Ed Salmon, Marcia Haigh, Michael Guarino

Minutes

Motion to accept, Loyce Haslett; seconded Michael Barrett – approved

Treasures Report

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Directors Report

The upcoming book sale is Feb. 21 from 9 - 2 p.m. at the Library.

Volunteers are needed for Friday night to sort books from 5-9 p.m. and Saturday from 9-2.

Old Business

Library budget: discussion has begun to determine the future budget of the new library, based on library size and overall population of the towns – differentiating between summer residents and year-round residents. There is a projected increase in demand for services at the new facility, especially when the building first opens to the public. In the upcoming budget, the Library is requesting a third employee for 8-hours in preparation to bridge the gap between staffing a 400-square-foot facility vs. a potential 6000-square-foot facility in the future.

Hours of operation: residents have requested that the Library offer an hourly schedule that is consistent with the current schedule. The potential addition would be Saturday hours. It is expected that the public will use the Library more on Saturday's now that the new facility will be more welcoming and closer to the ball fields, school and the route to the transfer station. It is anticipated that the use of the new Library may triple.

New Business

Michael Barrett passed out a thank you note from the Friends of the Library, thanking the Trustees for the flowers.

Union Church Rev. Bill Meyer has offered to donate his landscaping expertise to the Library. He is willing to assist the task force with the beautification aspect of the new building project.

Submitted,

Mike Guarino