

Cambridge Public Library
Board of Library Trustees
January 9, 2018
Minutes

A meeting of the Board of Library Trustees was held on January 9th at 5:00pm in the Trustees' Room, 449 Broadway. The following members of the Board of Library Trustees were present:

- Janet Axelrod
- Karen Kosko
- Patricia Payne
- James Roosevelt
- Nancy Woods
- *Also present:* Maria McCauley, Director of Libraries
- *Absent:* William Barry

Minutes from the December 5th meeting were approved with one amendment.

New Business

- **Follow-up on Letter to City Council:** Ms. Axelrod invited the group to share their thoughts on the letter mailed to City Council in December. Members were happy with the message and how it conveyed their thoughts.
Action Item: If we do not hear back within two months (March), Ms. McCauley/Ms. Axelrod to follow-up.
- **Strategic Plan Discussion:** Ms. McCauley led the Trustees through an Action Plan detailing the work either completed or intended for completion during FY16/17 and 17/18. The Action Plans contain specific activities derived from the Strategic Plan approved by the Trustees in September 2016.
Action Item: Ms. McCauley to explore bringing JD Vance, author of *Hillbilly Elegy*, to the CPL as a speaker.
Action Item: Ms. McCauley to share a list of courses on Lynda.com to show Trustees the range of what is available. Also, potentially arrange for a demo at a meeting.
Action Item: Ms. McCauley to invite stakeholders when CPL has autism expert provide training.
Action Item: Ms. McCauley to share draft of revised Strategic Plan with Trustees at the next meeting.
Action Item: Trustees to continue thinking about CSQ and how to best serve the branch and needs of Central Square community.
- **Naming Draft Principle:** Ms. Woods opened discussion with the idea that Trustees may wish to name branches for geographical location, based on the community it serves.
Action Item: Ms. McCauley to reach out to City Hall about building renaming opportunities and report back to the Trustees.
Due to time constraints, this item will be continued at the next meeting.
- **Net Neutrality:** Due to time constraints, this item was deferred.
- **Foundation/Friends Definitions:** Due to time constraints, this item was deferred.

Action Item: As some Trustees unavailable to attend the February meeting as scheduled, Ms. McCauley to offer alternate February meeting times over lunch. [As improved availability could not be found, February's meeting was formally cancelled.]

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy Woods, Secretary