

Cambridge Public Library
Board of Library Trustees Minutes

A regular meeting of the Board of Library Trustees was held on Monday, November 20, 2006 at the Main Library. The following members of the Board of Library Trustees were present:

- Janet Axelrod
- William Barry
- Andre Mayer
- Patricia Payne
- James Roosevelt
- Nancy Woods

Also present:

- Susan Flannery, Director of Libraries
- Madeline Amorosi, Assistant Director for Public Services
- Marilyn Gagalís, Administrative Assistant

Minutes from the planning meeting with Steve Miller on October 16, 2006 were approved.

Correspondence was acknowledged from Dianne L. Carty, and Randy Ross.

Ms. Flannery informed the Board that she had not received any Patriot Act requests since the September 2006 meeting.

Ms. Flannery reported that alternatives for the Collins Branch Library disability access are being sought rather than renovating the current location at this time. The lowest bidder withdrew his bid and the second bidder's price was outrageous.

Ms. Flannery's director's report included the following:

- March 2, 2007 is the date scheduled for an all day Staff Development Day. All libraries will be closed to allow every staff member to attend. Included in this day will be strategic planning sessions.
- December 4, 2006 City Council meeting may include library business. All Board members will be updated as the agenda develops.
- The Friends of the Cambridge Public Library have decided to take a hiatus from the Secret Garden Tour. There will be no tour in the spring of 2007. A new fundraiser for 2007 is being explored by the Friends.
- A City survey has produced nothing but praise for the Cambridge Public Libraries. Both Nancy Woods and James Roosevelt requested that Ms. Flannery put the interesting and amazing comments on the library's web site to "brag".

The next meeting in December is scheduled to include a discussion of budget requests. Staff department heads are currently discussing their needs which will be presented in December.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m. The next meeting of the Board will be on Monday, December 11, 2006 at 6:30 p.m. in the Main Library at the Longfellow School.

Andre Mayer, Secretary