

Minutes of 04/08/14 - Present: Pamela Murphy, Ruth Ruttenberg, Mark Holmes, John Stevens, Kate Reilly-Fitzpatrick, Katie Wawrzyniak and Karen Grace; absent: Julie Goodrich; guest: Brad Denny, Northfield selectman

There was an unanimous e-mail vote to change the library hours, effective 04/14/14. We'll make new bookmarks and update the outside sign.

The minutes from the 03/11/14 meeting and the treasurer's report from March were moved, seconded and accepted as written.

Discussion about issues on Pamela's report and some additional items that have come up since she wrote her report, such as getting rid of big plants (Kate may be interested), the Teen Center requesting a library card, and a request to turn off outside lighting. The board rec'd to ask the town to install motion sensitive lighting and Brad volunteered to take this idea to the selectboard.

Brad Denny also volunteered to check out the roof leak; he will check out with the town management before he does. Brad attended to talk about his and the Select board's interest in energy efficiency in the building. He prefaced his concerns about the value of the library and the need to maintain its importance to the community. The library has had an energy audit performed in the past (with some follow-up insulating done), which showed that the ROI was a year and ½. Efficiency VT paid for the initial audit in 2008. The library doesn't have LED lights. The thermostats aren't programmable but it may be possible to have them become adjustable. John mentioned the benefit of putting up a temporary airlock during the colder months.

Safety report was accepted with Pamela's suggested changes. Mark will e-mail it to everyone and Pamela will ensure that staff and volunteers read it. John will laminate a shortened version for display at the library.

Mark will check computers for time and date issues. There is a need for additional machines. Mark will have Henry get some more working computers and then we'll make the switch to RB Technology. Floyd suggests replacing one computer with a Google Chrome box as a pilot. Katie asked to have the technology committee make a recommendation.