

**Huntington Public Library  
Board of Trustees  
Minutes of January 12, 2009**

Present: Heidi Racht, Paula Kelley, Lorrie Richland, Liz Greenberg, Harvey Schugar  
Others: Anne Dannenberg, Amy Siedl

**Pesentation by Amy Seidl:** Amy spoke about use of solar power at the library. Amy noted that grants for municipal buildings will be available in the near future. Green Mountain Power reduces the cost of electricity generated by solar panels. They credit 1.5 KW for every KW generated. Here is a list of the sources of grants:

- Agency of Natural Resources Vermont. Up to \$12,000 per project. It is limited to 1 submission per year. Die dates are in February and April. 10% cash match is required
- Clean Energy Development Fund. VT Public Service Bd offers Pre-planning grants. 2% loans. \$5000. for technical assisance. 10% cash match. Due the first Thursday of each month
- Incentive grants: \$1.75 per each watt. \$3500.00 It is a rebate and comes through the installer. Funding by Yankee Nuclear.
- New England Grassroots Grants. \$500. to \$1000. Due in May Used for site evaluations. Is a proposal grant, Due in January and July.
- Vermont Community Foundation, Living Future, Ben and Jerry's, and VEIC all gave money to help Brewster-Pierce.

Other notes from Amy: It might be important to look at the library efficiency measures first. It may be possible to combine metering with other municipal buildings. Amy has volunteered to look over the project and research possible resources.

**Discussion of Poker Tournament:** Anne agreed to research this fund raising activity.

**Discussion of Damage:** It was agreed to insert a clause into the building use agreement form for community organizations that the organization will be responsible for broken or damaged property.

**Discussion of new patrons:** Liz volunteered to write a welcome letters for new residents of the town.

**Meeting with the Select Board:** Paula presented the revised budget and explained the changes. She noted that the new budget reflects level spending from the previous year (\$11.00 over) Heidi, Liz and Lorrie were present during the meeting and answered questions from the Select Board.

Next meeting will be February 9, 2009, at 7:30 at the UMH

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DIRECTOR'S NOTES  
JANUARY 12, 2009  
DECEMBER STATISTICS

1. LIBRARY: REGULAR USAGE

ADULT VISITS: 260  
ADULT BOOKS: 235  
ADULT AUDIO: 41  
DVD: 26

ILL: OUT: 0 IN: 10

CHILDREN'S VISITS: 131  
CHILDREN'S BOOKS: 672  
CHILDREN'S AUDIO: 14

LIBRARY PROGRAMS and COMMUNITY CENTER STATS: Unavailable – will report in Feb. Director's Notes.

2. Mike Dooling has offered to do a fund raiser called, "Texas Hold 'Em Tournament". Would you agree to this?
3. We have experienced two damages – torn stuffed play boat toys and a broken book shelf on a book display. The Girl Scouts have also behaved inappropriately. In response, I have communicated with the Girl Scout leader and we are posting appropriate behavior signs. Additionally the shelf needs repair – probably glue and clamps would do it.
4. Amy Seidl and I have discussed alternative energy possibilities for the UMH. She will give an overview and answer questions for the Board.
5. Please submit a signed request for Wendy and Anne's salary increases for 2008 – 2009 to the Select board.
6. Upcoming events: 1/23 Planet Huntington: South Africa with Michaela Stickney – she gives a very good show!  
1/25 Annual Baby Brunch: 11:00 – 1:00. Michele Cummings is coordinating food and Margaret Taft is coordinating gift bags.
7. Our catalog is now individually represented on the interlibrary loan page for the State Dept. of Libraries. Apparently we have many sought after books because there has been a huge increase in requests from other libraries in the past two weeks. This will put our postage budget way over. But for so many years we have contributed very few books to the greater library community. It is our turn.....