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Huntington Public Library
Board of Trustees
Minutes of June 19, 2012
APPROVED

Present: Paula Kelley, Lorrie Richland, Liz Greenberg, Heidi Racht
Others: Anne Dannenberg, Terry Boyle

The minutes of May were approved as read.

Discussion on landscaping: The discussion on landscaping centered on the "island" in the parking lot. Terry Boyle showed the Board the original plan for that space. The following items about that space were noted:

- The junipers have started to contract a blight. Three have been removed. The others will be removed soon.
- Terry suggested we keep the barren strawberry plants as ground cover.
- The horse tail weeds need to be completely removed.

The decision was made to have volunteers clear the horse tail weeds from the "island".

Director's Report: The following items were discussed in the report:

- Dave Ruscitto has some ideas as to how to stabilize the periodical racks and will take care of this.
- We are over our budget by about \$2000.00. This will be covered by the Adopt-an-Author account and by money from the Annual Appeal.
- It was noted in the report that both directors had not taken all of their vacation time due to their work load, the loss of Jean Evans, and a lack of substitutes. According to the Town employees' guidelines, the directors may get reimbursed for up to two weeks of this vacation pay that was not taken. The Trustees agreed that both directors should receive back pay for two weeks that was earned from the previous year.

Other business:

- The merit pay which the Board requested for the directors was denied by the Selectboard.
- The Trustees decided to write to the Selectboard, requesting information on the process by which Huntington Town employees can receive merit pay. This communication will also state the strong support the Trustees have that the directors deserve the merit pay.

The next meeting will be July 24, 2012 at 7:00 pm at the Library.

