DIGHTON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES October 29, 2015 6:30 PM

Call to Order Meeting

Alison Cembalisty, Ron O'Connor, Library Trustees Lorie Van Hook, Jocelyn Tavares, Library Staff Ron Smith, Jo Ann Racine, Zachary Lapointe

New Business

- Background on Dighton Public Library Building Program
 Jocelyn gave an overview on why the library was going through this process, a result of a
 loss of public space in the summer of 2013 when the Building Commissioner and Fire
 Chief required the Young Adult space to be closed, in addition to other issues with the
 building. Remedies required were costly at a time when the Massachusetts Board of
 Library Commissioners (MBLC) were offering a Planning and Design Grant Round.
 Discussion followed on the vision of the future of a library, library trends, community
 needs, a library in Dighton and the future of Dighton, in general. The Building Program
 was distributed to members for review. It was written with commentary from the
 Strategic Plan, Master Plan and research from library literature. Jocelyn invited feedback
 and questions. Suggested that the Building Plan be put on Library website.
- Next Steps: Building Needs Committee
 This ad-hoc committee appointed by the Trustees will work on the pre-design feasibility
 study of the expansion of the library. This process includes the hiring of an Owners
 Project Manager (OPM) which is required, and an architect/designer for the study work.
 Other discussion focused on a consultant for the Building Program. (Please note: the
 Building Program has been approved by the MBLC.) The expectation is that this
 committee will not require a lot of volunteer time, and that different subcommittees will
 be able to divide the work at different points in time. Additionally, we are hoping to have
 liasions to different town committees or professionals offer their knowledge as content
 experts throughout the process to make our project stronger.

Committee will be appointed by Trustees at next Trustee meeting on Thursday, November 12 at 7:00 PM.

• Next Step: Owners Project Manager
Jocelyn has been working with the Town Accountant on the Bid Documents for the
OPM. It is almost ready to be put out to bid, and Jocelyn will be looking for a review
team for the OPM. Will be in touch with the committee as dates become firm.

Questions/Input

Adjournment