

Joint Board Meeting
Fairfax Community Library and School Board
October 13 2016

Present were: John Tague, high school principal, Lauri Fisher, selectboard representative, Pat Gallant, and Liz Griffin, from the library board, Kathy Muehl, school board representative, Joy Mercer, school library director, and Debbie Landauer, public library director.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 by chair, Pat Gallant. .
There was neither correspondence nor public input.

A motion was made by Laurie to accept the minutes of the April 17 2016 Joint Board meeting and they were accepted.

Both librarians gave a summary of their quarterly reports, which were available for all present. Joy said that during the first month of school there were 759 walk ins, meaning students who came in by themselves.

Debbie reported that in August there were 1286 visits to the community library website. She also noted it had been a busy summer with a record number of books read during the summer program.

Program director Nicole Vance held a Renaissance Faire which was very successful. The library will host another Faire next year.

Both quarterly reports were accepted by the board.

One new school policy was presented and accepted by the library and that is the employee breast-feeding policy. The Department of Health told Debbie that the FCL has a friendly environment for nursing mothers.

There has been no movement in regard to repairing or replacing the blinds in the library, but an estimate for replacing was obtained after the custodians said it was beyond repair.. They were installed by a business in Williston in 1998. This firm examined the blinds and told Debbie that it would cost \$360 to replace the one that was broken, and \$2592 to replace all 8 vertical blinds. To install light filtering roller shades with fascia would cost \$4340. Without fascia they would cost \$3850.

Laurie stated that the Select Board would provide the funds to replace the broken blind, and John said he would check with Tod Granger to see if he knew anyone who installs shades.

A motion was made to spend not more than \$360 to replace the broken shade, the funds coming from the Town. It was approved.

Debbie provided the board with an update on work hours for the Community Library staff now that the school hours have changed. There is a Community staff person present at 8:30 each weekday morning.

The next Joint Board meeting will be held April 13 2017.

The meeting adjourned at 7 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Griffin