

**BEDFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
MINUTES**

**December 19, 2014**

A regular meeting of the Bedford Public Library Board of Trustees was held on December 19, 2014 in the New Hampshire Room. In attendance were Ed Moran (Chair), Tony Frederick (Treasurer), Mary Ann Senatro (Library Director), and Miriam Johnson (Assistant Director). The meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m.

**Secretary's Report** – Minutes from the November 21, 2014 meeting were accepted and approved.

**Treasurer's Report** – The Treasurer's report was reviewed and accepted. The following donations were accepted by the Trustees: Memorial Gift Books Bedford Women's Club - 150.00 in memory of Nancy Flegal, Phyllis Hickey, Kathleen Benuck, Violet Arnold and Nan Schlerf.

**Director's Report** – See attached.

**Old Business:**

**Budget 2014/2015** – The public hearing for the 2015 budget is January 14 at 7:00 p.m. at BCTV. Maintenance contracts include cleaning, HVAC, and pest control. Discussed the end of the year balances. The Town Council may be using some of the unspent lines to fund a new phone system.

**Building maintenance** – The chimney is now completely fixed.

**Computers** – The Trustees approved the purchase of a new PC and set up to replace the Print Release Station. The Trustees approved up to \$250 for technical support for wireless assistance.

**New Business:**

**Trustees of the Trust Fund Inquiry** – Mary Ann received an inquiry from the Trustees of the Trust Fund regarding the history of the money held for the library. She has begun researching it.

**Storm** – The library was a warming station during the recent power outage. Announcements went out on Nixle through the Police Department. Text messaging seems to be the best form of communication in power outages. The EOC team suggested we provide power strips for residents to charge devices. The Town Manager said the Town would absorb staffing costs if the Library were to extend their hours during times like these. The FCC has approved a low power FM radio station for Bedford which would assist in emergency communications.

**Rotary meeting** – Rotary has requested the use of the McAllaster room on two dates before and after the Library opens. The Trustees approved.

The next meeting will held on Friday, January 16, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the New Hampshire Room. The meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary Ann Senatro  
Library Director

Miriam Johnson  
Assistant Director