

**Goodnow Library Board of Trustees  
Minutes  
Thursday, August 10, 2017, 12:00pm  
Historical Room, Goodnow Library, 21 Concord Road**

**Attendance:** Alan Gordon, Lily Gordon, Esmé Green, Ingrid Mayyasi, Barbara Pryor, Marie Royea.

**Absent:** Susan Johnson

**Guest:** Samantha Greenfield, Goodnow Library Foundation

Barbara called the meeting to order at 12:04pm.

**Strategic Plan:** Esmé presented the first draft of the plan to the group. She reviewed the process so far: that a survey and several focus groups had been held. There was also retreat with library supervisors to go over the goals that emerged from the collected data. Each of the trustees took turns asking questions and offering comments. A final draft will be presented at the September meeting for a vote.

**Local History Collection Development Policy (vote):** Barbara and Esmé presented the final draft of the policy for approval. The policy was developed as a result of the two SHRAB (State Historical Records Advisory Board) grants, as well as the critical support and advice of Rachel Onuf, a professional archivist. After a few minor edits by the board, Marie made a motion to accept the policy. Motion seconded by Lily. So voted.

**Review of Rudolph design proposal for fundraising sculpture for second floor (Sam):** Local artist and resident, Janice Corkin Rudolph has generously offered to design and create a statue meant to support the funding of the Sara Sherman NOW Lab. The design will feature a 3' statue of three children engaged in various activities, ranging from reading to writing to drawing. The statue will have a tile base, for which prospective donors may purchase and inscribe their names. The board was grateful for this very generous gift and discussed the best method for accepting it and determining the process. They would like to see a rendering of the piece. Lily made the motion to go forward with the proposal as presented by Sam and executed by Janice. Motion seconded by Marie. So voted.

**Allow Library to close all day, September 15, 2017 for staff development (vote):** Esmé requested the approval of the board to close the library to hold an all-day staff meeting, which would include makerspace equipment training, an update on the planning of the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor project, a post-summer clean up, department meetings and an introduction of the strategic plan. Alan made the motion to accept. Seconded by Lily. So voted.

***New Business- none***

***Any other items not known 48 hours in advance of the meeting:***

Clark Diaries: Esmé received a call from Sally Hild of the Sudbury Historical Society regarding the ownership of the Clark Diaries. She feels she has new information that would suggest the

diaries belong at the SHS. The subject has come up several times in the past, and Esmé informed her that only the trustees have the authority to make a decision about whether or not the diaries could go to the SHS, and invited Sally and David Columbo (a Clark descendant) to attend the September meeting. It was also determined that former trustee Carol Hull, who has a good deal of historical knowledge of the library and town should be consulted as well. Some questions that arose were: are the diaries the only Clark items in the library collection? Where is the rest of the collection, and what is it consisted of? What is the Historical Society's intentions for the diaries? What really is the provenance of the diaries? Transcription, digitization, exhibit? Do the diaries mention the Civil War? (this is a focus of the library's local history collection)

**Adjournment: Marie made a motion to adjourn at 1:27pm. Seconded by Alan. So voted.**

*Next meeting: September 5, 2017.*