BOARD OF TRUSTEES
NORTH KINGSTOWN FREE LIBRARY
MINUTES

PRESENT WERE: Barbara Burgess, Patricia Carlson, Joan Ehrhardt, David Layman, Joan Peet, Richard Reid, Tom Sgouros, and Susan Aylward.

1. **Call to Order** - The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the North Kingstown Free Library held on Monday, May 11, 2009, in the Meeting Room was called to order by Chair Patricia Carlson at 7:15 P.M.

2. Pursuant to RIGL 42-46-6 (c) Notice of this meeting has been posted on the Secretary of State’s website.

3. **Health Co-Pay and Wage Freeze for Non-Union Employees**—After asking the Library Director to absent herself from the meeting for this agenda item, the Board discussed these issues at length. They VOTED the following:
   a. The Trustees declined to grant pay raises for non-union administrative staff members at the present time and to approve the Town Council instituted policy of a 20% co-pay on health insurance for non-union administrative staff on a motion by Tom Sgouros, seconded by Dave Layman.
   b. The Trustees will appropriate from Trustees funds, up to $1,500 for the acquisition, cataloging, and maintenance of the David Plante collection on a motion by Tom Sgouros, seconded by Joan Peet.
   c. The Trustees will appropriate from Trustees funds, up to $1,000 to send Susan Moreland to the New England Library Association conference in Hartford in the fall of 2009 on a motion by Joan Ehrhardt, seconded by Barbara Burgess.

4. **Minutes of the May 11, 2009 meeting** – The minutes were not available and will be approved at the next meeting of the Board.

5. **Director’s Report**—The Director reported on library activities and events during the month. She also reported on the RISE energy audit and the lighting modifications that the report suggested. The Board VOTED to approve the implementation of the lighting part of the RISE energy audit proposal with the costs to be paid for on the monthly electricity bill for a period of 12 months on a motion by Joan Peet, seconded by Tom Sgouros.

6. **Champlin Grant application 2009**—The Board VOTED to approve the application to The Champlin Foundations in the amount of $67,500 towards a new chiller for the air conditioning system on a motion by Richard Reid, seconded by Joan Peet.

7. **Carpet Replacement Project**—The Board discussed strategies for replacing the carpet under the two banks of public computers in the reference department. The Library Director will work on these strategies over the summer.

8. **Chairs for Reference Department Computer Workstations**—The Director borrowed one of the bungee cord chairs from the OSL offices for the Board to test. We will try it out at one of the workstations downstairs and also find out the weight limit on the chairs before we decide to purchase any of them.
9. **Summer Meeting Calendar**—The Chair decided to suspend the summer meeting calendar unless a pressing issue(s) requires the Board’s attention.

10. **Other**—There was no other business to come before the Board.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan L. Aylward