Board of Trustees  
Ilsley Public Library  
Wednesday, November 18, 2015.  
Community Room, Ground floor of library  
Draft Minutes

Board members in attendance:  
Maria Graham, Rebekah Irwin, Chris Watters, John Freidin, Skylar Atkins.

Also in attendance: Kevin Unrath, Director; Susan Shashok, Selectboard member; Kathleen Ramsay, Town Manager.

Meeting began at 8:03 am.

Public & Board Comments – Mr. Freidin mentioned hearing about the TOR anonymous network and that a few libraries in the area were providing this as a service. Director Unrath will provide one or two overview articles on the pluses and minuses of providing TOR browsing (note: [http://www.theguardian.com/technology/2013/nov/05/tor-beginners-guide-nsa-browser](http://www.theguardian.com/technology/2013/nov/05/tor-beginners-guide-nsa-browser) is a good basic introduction).

Approval of last month’s minutes - approved as written.

Chris Kirby, Adult Services and Technology Librarian, provided a written report on his recent activities at Ilsley and on a statewide level. Trustees appreciated the report and the work Chris has done, but requested that future reports be submitted and read by the board on their own time so that more business can be conducted at board meetings.

Old Business
--Strategic plan-reviewed PowerPoint for public feedback meetings. Several useful suggestions were made for how to improve the data presentation and feedback exercises for the meetings, and these will be incorporated into the final presentation. Director Unrath will conduct a doodle poll to see when best to have the sessions, with a goal to have a morning and an evening session, one at Ilsley and one at Sarah Partridge, and possibly one each in December and January pending the results of the doodle poll.

--Building committee updates – At the committee’s October meeting, consultant Barbara Doyle-Wilch suggested, and the building committee agreed, that it is time for the committee to talk to an architect about preliminary building plans now that the library’s strategic plan is taking
shape. Draft language for an RFQ is in process, with a vote for authorizing the RFQ to go out expected at the next meeting.

New Business
The library’s Membership policy was unanimously approved as amended to include a guest borrower option and to eliminate negative language in the introductory paragraphs. Director Unrath will create a press release and look into purchasing a banner welcoming all to Ilsley

New Trustee recruitment: Director Unrath will put signs up with signup forms and coauthor a letter to the editor with Ms Graham pending her decision to rotate off the board.

A motion passed to change meetings to bimonthly, pending review of the bylaws to determine if they need amending. (NOTE - they do need amending [ARTICLE II], Section 8. Regular Meetings “The board shall meet at least ten times per year in open session with each meeting noted in a public place at least one week in advance.”)

Scheduling of Next Meeting – December 16th joint meeting with library building committee. Meeting adjourned at 9:22 am.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kevin Unrath