

**EDITH WHEELER MEMORIAL LIBRARY
LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING ON Thursday, November 20, 2014 @ 4pm
LIBRARY - ROTARY BOARD ROOM
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I. CALL TO ORDER - The meeting was called to order by Chairman Bill Ehlers @ 3:32pm
Present: Vice Chairman Pat Shea, Secretary Alice Deak, Trustee Emily Serniak, Trustee Erin Passineau, Trustee James Fogarty and Margaret Borchers.

II. OLD BUSINESS

- A. We discussed continuing issues with disbursement of Wheeler Trust funds in regard to an exhibit Bill presented concerning Garth Brooks' foundation and how the singer dealt with improper use of funds he donated to a hospital. Because the hospital violated the wishes of his trust, they were forced to pay the money back, including \$500K in damages. http://www.nytimes.com/2014/11/07/giving/when-a-donation-steers-off-course.html?_r=0
- B. We decided to put off strategic plan discussions until the next meeting.

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. We discussed budget needs for the upcoming fiscal year including the need for better salaries for both PT and FT staff.

IV. LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- Discussed the success of One Book, One Town and the Smiley's visit, the need for more and better press coverage, and how to get more people to visit the library.

V. MINUTES

- Motion was made by Pat Shea, seconded by Alice Deak to "accept the minutes of the September meeting as amended." Passed unanimously.

VI. FINANCIAL REPORTS

- The report was reviewed and discussed. All items were found to be in order.

VII. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - No public participation.

VIII. OTHER BUSINESS/QUESTIONS

- None

IX. ADJOURNED - The meeting was adjourned by Bill at 4:39 pm. The next monthly meeting is Thursday, December 17, 2014 at 4:00pm.

Respectfully submitted by Erin T. Passineau, Trustee and Acting Secretary