

**BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES
MEETING OF MARCH 9, 2010**

A meeting of the Board of Library Trustees was held at Southworth Library on March 9, 2010. Ms. Aisenberg called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS

Kathryn Murphy Aisenberg, Chairman
Rachel Charrier, Vice Chairman
Chuck Bichsel

Lorraine Carey
Andrew Couto
Paul Pereira

STAFF

Dolores J. Tansey, Interim Director

Audrey Quail, Administrative Clerk

Approval of Minutes. A motion was made by Mr. Couto, seconded by Ms. Charrier, and unanimously voted to approve as submitted the minutes of February 2 and February 9, 2010.

Report of the Financial Secretary for the month of February, 2010. Ms. Tansey said that the budget seems to be on track, with three quarters of the year passed and one quarter of the budget remaining.

Community Park. Ms. Charrier distributed copies of a preliminary design for the park proposed for the land between Cushman School and Southworth Library. This project is moving quickly to be able to apply meet the deadline for application for FY 2011 funding through the Community Preservation Committee—March 17, 2010. The preliminary design provides for three new play areas between the two buildings. Vehicular access to the park would be through the library's rear parking lot curb cut. This would be improved to provide access to the park, a walkway, and additional parking. Walkways would also be installed between the front parking lot of the library along our shaded seating area through to the play areas. The anticipated cost of the play equipment would be \$200,000 exclusive of the improvements that would be installed by the Department of Public Works. The current plan provides play areas for 100 children. Proposals for 50 children will also be sought. One of the immediate questions is whether the Trustees would be willing to deed over some of the Southworth property to the Park Department if that would be the only way the Park Department could apply for grants for the park. The Trustees were concerned that future expansion for Southworth would not be jeopardized. Ms. Charrier will get more information about the exact location of the land being sought and whether it would result in our not being able to expand our building at a future date.

Appointment of Nominating Committee. Ms. Aisenberg proposed that she and Mr. Pereira be appointed to the Nominating Committee as she will not be seeking the Chair next year. A motion was made by Ms. Carey, seconded by Mr. Charrier, and unanimously voted to appoint Ms. Aisenberg and Mr. Pereira as the Nominating Committee.

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The remaining agenda items were tabled to the next meeting to allow the Board of Library Trustees to adjourn into executive session at 5:30 p.m. The regular meeting would not resume.

The next meeting was scheduled for April 13, 2010, at 5:00 p.m.

Today's meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Audrey Quail
Administrative Clerk