Etna Library Board of Trustees Minutes from May 7, 2014

Present: Ginger Boitnott, Elizabeth Cornell, Barbara Prince, Kim Wilson

April minutes were accepted.

Librarian's report - Barbara presented trends in library usage and discussed ideas to increase circulation and program attendance.

Old Business:

Spring Reading Program and Raffle - Annual Spring Reading Program will culminate in a May 15 afternoon tea. Patrons who submit book reviews will be entered in a raffle of gift cards and book totes donated by area businesses.

Summer Programs - List to come. May 2014 program list distributed.

Children's Carpet - Options under review.

New Hampshire Library Association Spring Conference - Barbara recently attended the conference, held in Whitefield, NH. Highlights included "Tremendous Titles for Teens", an overview of Ancestry.com, ideas for writing library policy and popular alternative computing projects for patrons.

Etna Village Program and Potluck - Dartmouth History Professor Emeritus Jere Daniell will present a local history program at Trumbull Hall on May 30 at 7 pm. The program will follow the library's first community potluck, beginning at 6.

New Business:

Hiring of Substitute Staff - Interviews of three applicants are forthcoming for hiring substitute staff. The library's substitute librarian, Jennifer Cummings, will be moving from Hanover. Donation of Conservation Stickers - Small, square stickers featuring local birds will help patrons and staff quickly identify the spines of materials designated part of the library's Conservation collection, shelved beside the circulation desk as part of the library's emphasis on conservation and rural life. Photographer Jim Block donated his images for the stickers.

Possible Carpentry Projects - Future projects under consideration include display shelving for books and artifacts.

Reading Garden Chairs - Approved 1500 in gift money be used for outdoor seating. Will research and consider options for a bench in the reading garden and chairs on the rear porch. Etna Library Float - Library staff and patrons will march in the Old Timers' Fair on the Hanover Center Green on June 28.

Date for next Trustee meeting - June 18, 5:30 pm. Respectfully submitted, Elizabeth Cornell