

Board of Trustees
Winthrop Public Library and Museum

Minutes

Trustees meeting, Edward A. Hazlett Meeting Room, Winthrop Public Library, February, February 6, 2003.

Mr. Dalton called the meeting to order at 6:55 P.M. The following trustees were present: Stephen Dalton, Chairman; David Redgrave, Vice-Chairman; James Matarazzo, John Tranfaglia, and Richard Tyrell. Betty Peabody would make a belated entry at 8:44 P.M. The following staff members were present: Marjorie Hill-Devine, Director, and Ann Gutting, Asst. Director.

The Budget Crisis

The budget crisis was the single subject of this special meeting.

Three scenarios were developed to meet the budget crisis:

Scenario #1. If the library is called upon to make a straight 4% cut (\$17,120), the library could meet this loss of revenue by taking money from its materials budget.

Scenario #2. If an 8%^{8.3} cut is imposed on the library budget, the amount could reach \$35,300. The library might meet this extreme contingency by subtracting money from the materials budget, by laying off six part-time employees, and by closing the library for a portion of the week.

Scenario #3. If a 10% cut is demanded, the library would have to take \$17,120 from the materials budget, lay off eight part-time employees, take \$2700 from the Hyde Fund, and close even more hours than would be required under Scenario #2.

General Business

The trustees will meet with the Selectmen on Monday, February 10, 2003, at 8:00 P.M., in the second floor conference room, Town Hall.

The next regular meeting of the trustees will be held on February 13, 2003, at 7:00 P.M. in the Edward A. Hazlett Meeting Room.

Mr. Redgrave made the motion to adjourn at 8:45 P.M. Ms. Peabody, with perfect timing, seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

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