PEMBER LIBRARY AND MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING 4/17/2013

Present: Ardyce Bresett, Paul Elsholz*, David Funari, George Henry**, Shelly Keene, Rob McGuire, Mary Frances Silitch, Jaime Thomas***, Bob Tressler, Pat Wesner, Bo Young, Gisele Zeitler

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Bo Young called the meeting to order.

- 1. The minutes from March were approved. Mary Frances moved to approve. Rob seconded.
- 2. The bills were reviewed. Due to lack of funds, some of the larger bills will be paid in installments. Mary Frances moved to approve. Bo seconded. The motion was approved.
- 3. Pat presented the library report. Bo moved to approve the report. Dave seconded. The motion was approved. One ticket for the SALS (Southern Adirondack Library Services) dinner on May 20th at the Great Escape is available to a representative of the Pember.
- 4. Pat presented the museum report. The accounts are up-to-date (including Quickbooks), but some of the funds are miscategorized. Therefore, the numbers should be treated as approximations until the accountant can correct this mistake. Budgeting has been very challenging lately due to the unpredictable nature of donations. Grants awarded from the state and from the village are expected to relieve some of the financial pressure, but the date of their arrival is uncertain. A line of credit has been looked into as a means to smooth out the lean months, but is not feasible.
- 5. The First Friday schedule was reviewed. Music is needed for the May event. Don Taylor's mom, an exhibitor for May, has passed away. However, Don may still want to show her work. Civil war reenactors may be needed for the Sept. First Friday event. A representative has been invited to speak to the Granville Rotary Club about First Fridays and the "cultural campus" in Granville. Bo and Rob will accept their invitation.
- 6. It was decided that the annual dinner will be held at the Lake St. Catherine Country Club. Attendance at previous dinners typically ranged from 70 to 100 people. Potential donors need to be invited. Auction items (and ideas) need to be collected. Dave will ask the Granville Lions Club for a furniture donation. Bo moved the dinner be held on June 28th --assuming the country club is available. George seconded. The motion was approved.
- 7. Paul suggested we consider purchasing the neighboring property that's for sale. The library may never have opportunity to purchase an adjacent property again. Pat will ask the lawyer if it is appropriate to use money from the capital campaign to make such a purchase possible.
- 8. Bo moved to adjourn. Dave seconded. The meeting was adjourned.