

**Friends of WMRLS
Meeting Minutes from
May 11, 2007 Executive Board Meeting
WMRLS, Whately**

- **Meeting called to order at 3:30**

Present: Lisa Downing, Rebecca Frank, Sara Woodbury, Laurie Risler, Dick Floyd, Mary King and John Ramsay.

- **Minutes** from the last meeting were accepted.
- **Next Meeting:** July 20 at 10:00 a.m. at WMRLS
- **News from WMRLS:** John Ramsay discussed revisions to the two grants getting favorable reaction from the MBLC.
 - o Automation Study, 23K - John wants to do early in the fiscal year so the results can justify an implementation in the next cycle
 - o Circuit Rider Grant, 177K

John also has a grant out to the Freeman Foundation for Bookmobile money, small library computers and automation.

Conductivity project still moving ahead with 10 out of 30 libraries connected via satellite.

- **President's report:**
 - o Annual Meeting Planning-
 - Plan for early October - Berkshire library?
 - Sarah - have program
 - Newsletter - Sarah

- **Treasurer's report:** Dick Floyd requested permission to return bus money to member who missed the bus. Approved. Dick did all federal filings. Dick made a motion to donate 5,000 to WMRLS, board voted unanimously to approve.

- **Sub-Committee Reports**
 - **Membership report:** Rebecca reported 173 active members, 28 new. Rebecca and Laurie re trying to arrange summer membership drive at Tanglewood.

 - **Advocacy:** No new business. Made suggestion to raise fee for bus next year to cover costs.

 - **Fundraising:** Membership drive in Berkshires will also focus on fundraising.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie Risler