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## Friends of the Exeter Public Library

### Minutes of March 18, 2025 Meeting

In attendance: Andrea Renz, Susan Ploss, Ute Tellini, Evelyn Kelso, Lindsey Humes, Carol Eberhardt, Janice O'Brien, Jenny Medlock, Hilary Ireland, Monique Lowd, Laura Sawyer, Martha Walsh, Dorren Caron, Mia Jacobson, and Susan Feltus

The minutes from the February 18 meeting were approved with two corrections.

The financial report shows \$26,000 in CDs and \$4,000 in our checking account.

Roy Tellini has filed the NH 2025 nonprofit report which is due every five years. We approved reimbursement to Roy for the \$27 filing fee. Roy will file the annual NH report and the IRS 990N before the due date of May 15.

The Friends sent a plant to Hope Gordino to congratulate her on her retirement. Her gracious thank you note was read and passed around.

Lindsey reported that the Rockingham County Friends group was meeting on May 21<sup>st</sup> from 5:00 to 7:00 at the North Hampton Library. She asked that Exeter Friends members who wished to attend to give their email addresses to her.

Volunteer opportunities: Martha was to meet with library staff to see if volunteers were needed the night of the Lit Fest opening on April 4. Andrea asked that people who wanted to

volunteer to work for the May 3 Crafts Fair raffle sign up on a sheet being circulated. For the opening night on April 4 of the Lit Fest at the library, we agreed to try to get local vendors to provide food as a Taste of Exeter. Susan asked for volunteers to solicit local vendors, and Hilary agreed to help. It was agreed that the Friends would fund any shortfalls in donations.

Cribbage: 8 participants at the March event.

Library Needs: the Lit Fest opening night on April 4 features a group from the Portsmouth Symphony. We had previously approved paying \$500 to another group for that night so agreed to pay \$500 to this group. We agreed to pay \$600 and milage, if he charges it, for the magician for the children's program on July 30.

Fund raising: Otto's community sharing program donated \$505 from our October date and has given us another date of May 12.

Doreen explained her concern with the toys in the children's play room. We agreed that she would talk to the librarian about her concerns and ask if the Friends could organize to replace/provide toys.

The next meeting of the Friends is April 15 at 6:30 at the Library.