

MEETING OF THE TRUSTEES OF EXETER PUBLIC LIBRARY

November 22,2022 6:00 PM

1. Call to order at 6:00 PM
  - a. Roll Call: Kathy Corson, Denise Leonard, Lisa Wilson, Laura Wyskiel, Barbara Young, Hope Godino
  - b. Absent:, Paula Sears, Linda Tober , Jennifer Medlock,
2. Public Comment- no public present.
3. Minutes from last meeting approved: Add we discussed Collection Development. Laura Wyskiel made motion to accept with changes, Barbara 2nded. Unanimously passed.
4. Reports:
  - a. Director's Report: Hope - See Hope's written report. Dan Hummel has brought his plants back to the library and is caring for all the library's plants including a Night Blooming Cereus donated by Anne and Bill Campbell. Adult book groups reading The House of Cerulean Sea and The Accident, Teen book groups are reading City of Spies, Woodsrunner, Game and Dry. 277 Water Street and Langdon Place are enjoying monthly book talks with Riverwoods to be added in 2021. Knitters are back. Children's room offers a new scavenger hunt every week, book groups are reading Twins vs. Triplets, Back to School, Bear Grylls Adventure Blizzard, The Wild Robot. Storytimes continue in the Children's Room as well as Open Art, Hand Sewing, Legos and Art Club. Special Programming for children in development for December Vacation week.
  - b. Operating Statement: Hope – Laura inquired about painting old handicap spots under building, Hope will inquire about painting spots in spring.
  - c. Building, Grounds, Technology: Hope covered in her report.
  - d. Finance and Fundraising: Hope says money already starting to come back from mailing.
  - e. Long-Range Plan: Mary – Nothing to report.
  - f. Personnel and policy: Barbara – Kathy Corson mentioned that as Bill of Rights is referenced, the Bill of Rights document should be added so it will clarify policy. Barbara questioned use of term “may”. Hope noted out that “may” meant that something would be presented if asked for but not always necessary to do every time. Kathy verified that the request for reconsideration would be a form, not written out. Hope said it will be on the website and would be in a form that the person could take away with them included referenced materials like the Bill of Rights. Laura said “well-presented and easy to understand.” Lisa Wilson liked the balance. Hope will create a corrected format and present final version at next meeting. Barbara had nothing more to discuss.
  - g. Friends- Hope Talking about indoor farmers markets, a community oven fundraiser, the Brook casino has to do fundraiser so will inquire about that.
  - h. Social :Lisa – nothing to report.
5. Continuing Business
  - a. Old business requiring attention: Kathy – nothing to report.
6. New Business

- a. New business requiring attention: Kathy – Read bylaws and because of Mary LaFreniere had left the board it shall vote on new member. Kathy pointed out that you can look at former trustees, candidates from previous board seats, candidates who have shown interest volunteering at library for new trustee. Laura pointed out that there were only two meetings until next vote in March. Kathy pointed up no reference to two year time span in bylaws. Kathy pointed out she is serving rest of Mary’s term until March, then at March the board is re-voted in. Denise recommends we wait until march.

Next meeting January 24, 2022

7. Closed session if necessary (RSA: 91-A:3 Executive Sessions) – No public in attendance.
8. Adjourn –Denise Makes motion, Laura 2<sup>nd</sup>, meeting ended at 6:32 PM

Minutes Respectfully Submitted by Julia Lanter