

**Trustees' Meeting Olivia Rodham Memorial Library**  
**Monday, May 16, 2022, 3:00 PM**  
**Meeting Will Be Held at the Library and on ZOOM**

**Call to Order** – 3:05 PM

Present: Anita, Jan, Gretchen, Lew, Sara, Judith (alternate), Jen (alternate)

Motion to approve the minutes of April meeting, seconded, motion passed.

**Colonial Garden**

John Bunce presentation on behalf of the Agricultural Committee regarding the Colonial Garden behind the Library building.

- A review of the history of the Colonial Garden being placed behind the library
- proposal to Library Trustees for permission to replace the wattle fence, not placing it against the building
- Discussion ensued regarding who can provide proper permission to place something on Town property. Trustees indicated that such permission must come from the town SelectBoard.
- Motion made to support retaining the Colonial Garden and building a new wattle fence. The Motion was seconded and motion passed.

John Bunce will now present to the SelectBoard regarding the Colonial Garden and wattle fence.

**Treasurer's Report** – Missing the payroll report, however, the Library is in budget, checkbook balanced. Raymond James account dropped \$7,240 over prior month due to market volatility. The Raymond James account has two Board of Trustee Signatories: Anita Flanagan and Lew Derby. New Hampshire Library Association dues were paid for Anita Flanagan and Jan Perry.

Motion made to Accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded and motion passed.

**Corresponding Secretary Report** – Gretchen noted the following Thank you notes will go out shortly: Ted Link for blueberry mulching, Mike Tarr for helping with picnic tables, Patsy Beffa Negrini for book donation, Marianne French Hammond for children's books.

**Librarian Report -**

OWL video equipment – Jeff will investigate the Keene Public Library system and report back  
Zoom programs - May 18, 25 program on death, May 6 Birding program, Backyard Birds  
In Person program – Book Group May 10, 6 attendees, Jeff facilitated discussion (next book group June 9, 2022)

Upcoming Summer Reading Program for kids – July 6-27: Oceans of Possibilities, special events every Wednesday at 4pm, July 14<sup>th</sup> , 2:00 PM “Whales and Seals” presented by a UNH Marine Docent (outdoors)

NHLA created a trifold pamphlet, “Library Bill of Rights”

Books for Africa – article appeared in the Black Fly Express

**Library Policies Review**

- a) Volunteer Policy – tabled until June meeting

**Review of Library Health and Safety Protocols** – protocols reviewed and agreed to continue current policies

**New Business** – Jan Perry will be absent at the June 20<sup>th</sup> meeting. Jen Pepin will stand in as voting Trustee and to take the minutes of that meeting.

Juneteenth – question whether the library should recognize the holiday by closing if the library would normally be open. Kris will find out what the town employees are doing, and what other libraries in NH are doing.

Annuals in front of the library – will be planted and will need watering

**Motion to adjourn**, seconded, motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 4:11 PM