

Minutes of Trustees' Meeting, Olivia Rodham Memorial Library
Monday, January 17, 2022
Meeting was held in person and electronically on Zoom

Call to Order 3:05 p.m.

Roll Call: Kris Finnegan, librarian; Susan Peery, Lew Derby, Sara Marean, Russ Thomas, Gretchen Ezell and Anita Flanagan, alternate.

A public hearing was convened at 3:06 p.m. to allow public discussion and acceptance of a \$5,000 unrestricted gift from Marcia Sexton. There was no public input, so Susan moved to accept the gift and Russ seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The public portion of the meeting concluded at 3:16 p.m. and the regular Trustees' Meeting convened.

Susan asked if there were any changes or corrections to the December minutes. None were noted. Sara moved to accept the December minutes, Russ seconded. The minutes were unanimously approved.

Librarian's Report

There was discussion on how to best use Marcia Sexton's donation. Kris suggested purchasing an OWL audio/visual system as a useful addition to the library programming. She will look into it and report back at the February meeting.

Kris reported that there were several program offerings that the library alerted the public to, including: Spark Joy, a decluttering and organizing program held on Wednesday January 12th through the 14th.; a documentary of the Berlin, New Hampshire Ski Jump on Saturday January 22nd, and a program on Indigenous peoples on Thursday January 20th at 6 p.m. with follow-up question and answer program on January 27th.

Val Van Meir has perused the seed catalogues and purchased \$15 worth of seeds to make up envelopes for the seed library.

Kris reported she had set up online billing and payment for books ordered from Baker and Taylor.

Bill Dunn had offered an old copier from the town offices that still works. It was suggested that it be placed in the library basement with the understanding that Kris would not be responsible for its upkeep, It would be available to anyone using the basement.

There was discussion concerning the Policy for Volunteers form. It was decided that Edie and the town's legal representative should look at it to see if any changes were needed. This was put on the agenda for the February meeting.

Treasurer's Report

Lew said the report was up to date except for the wage information. The checking account balance is \$5,133.41. The TD Bank Money Market account increased by \$1.64 for a total of \$19,622.34. The Raymond James Investment Acct. earned \$ 1,314.21 for a total of \$119,357.97. Susan moved to accept the Treasurer's Report as is. Russ seconded. The motion was unanimously approved.

Correspondence

Russ reported that he wrote thank you notes to Marcia Sexton, Martha Craig, Dave Bower, Stacia Tolman and will write David Ottinger.

New Business

There was discussion about the Request for Reconsideration of Library Materials form as well as Collection Development Policies. It was decided that the Trustees would investigate further and discuss at the February meeting.

Kris indicated that library patrons had been complying with the health protocols and she was comfortable leaving the protocols in place with no changes.

Both Jan Perry and Anita Flanagan will run for Library Trustee positions and Judith Putzel agreed to be a Library Trustee alternate.

Gretchen motioned to adjourn the meeting and Susan seconded.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:11 p.m.

**Next Meeting will be held on Monday, February 21, 2022 at 3:00 p.m.
In person and Zoom format**

Respectfully submitted,

Gretchen Ezell