

EXETER PUBLIC LIBRARY
Trustees Meeting Minutes

March 28, 2023

1. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Laura Wyskiel, secretary in the physical absence of Chairman Kathy Corson (she attended by phone) and Vice Chair Jenny Medlock. As Kathy was on the phone attendance and voting was done by roll call.

Roll Call: Linda Tober, Lisa Wilson, Denise Leonard, Laura Wyskiel, Barbara Young, Kathy Boudreau, Sarah James, Kathy Corson (via phone), Hope Godino (Library Director)

Absent: Jenny Medlock

2. Correspondence: None

3. Minutes from the Previous Meeting (January 24, 2023): Approval was tabled as there were not enough present that were at that meeting. Under new business “dropped off the board” should be changed to resigned.

4. Reports:

a. Director’s Report: Hope passed around posters of what is going on in the library – Book Events for Adults, Teens, Elementary, School age, and preschool. Many activities during April school vacation. AARP tax help, Language Tables, Cribbage, and Mahjongg. Three new passes have been added to the museum passes.

b. New Slate of Officers vote: Chair: Kathy Corson

Vice Chair: Jenny Medlock

Secretary: Laura Wyskiel

Treasurer: Barbara Young

c. Operating Statement: Kathy Corson pointed out the Building

Maintenance and Repair was at 99.6% due to a frozen pipe that had burst outside on the weekend it was -11.

Linda Tober asked if we could compare number of Annual Appeal donor from last year to now. Hope will get last years' count. Hope will get last year's count.

d. Building and Grounds: Lights are finally working like they are supposed to. They are LED lights, cost effective, many people like new lights as they can walk around after dark safely.

e. Finance + Fundraising : Nothing.

f. Personnel and Policy: Barbara passed around the Committee signup sheet for 2023-2024. To be completed at the April meeting: Barbara passed out the deck policy that was discussed in January. Passed

g. Long Range Plan: Nothing.

h. Social: Lisa brought up a Spring Social with the staff on the decks. No date has been set yet.

5. Friends: Sarah James + Kathy Boudreau are the newly elected Trustees. Both were officers in Friends group. Laura welcomed them both and gave them each a Trustee Manual which she had put together. Sarah then discussed the Friends activities, Sea Dog – May 17, a percentage of the evening's take will go to the library friends. Will also have a raffle there.

Craft Fair at the Library on May 6th. No cost except a donation to the Friends for a raffle that day. They need a secretary and a treasurer who is willing to be fingerprinted and have a background check. April 1st they will be volunteering in the library children's room during the Exeter Lit Fest.

6. Old Business: No old business

7. New Business: The Trustees have been invited to have their meetings on Exeter television. Barbara Young made the motion to not be televised unless deemed necessary but the Chair, Vice-Chair, and the Library Director prior to the planned meeting. Second by Kathy Corson, Passed.

Barbara brought up raising the non-member fee from \$70 - \$75. Hope compared the fees to other surrounding libraries. Denise Leonard made a motion to raise the non-member fee to \$75, second by Kathy Corson. Passed.

Since the next meeting falls during School Vacation, the date was changed from April 25 to April 18 at 6:00. Passed.

Next Meeting is Tuesday, April 18 at 6:00

8. Closed Session, if necessary: none

9. Adjourn: 7:44.