Nesmith Library Board of Trustees

Meeting Minutes
Monday, May 13, 2024 Nesmith Library, 6:30 pm

Present:
Trustees: Theresa Abbamondi (Chair), Karen Moltenbrey (Assistant Chair), Catherine Girata (Member at Large), Robin Bostic (Recording Secretary) Jim Murphy (Treasurer), Jennifer Cutler (Assistant Treasurer)

Director*:* Sylvie Brikiatis

Public: None present

Absent:
Beth Talbott (Corresponding Secretary)

Call to Order: By T. Abbamondi at 6:43 pm

Mission statement: Read by T. Abbamondi

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

Motion made by J. Murphy to approve the minutes of the Public Session of April 2, 2024. C. Girata seconded.   Passed 5-0-1. K. Moltenbrey abstained.

Gifts
$100 unrestricted donation by Richard Piro.
Motion made by C. Girata and seconded by J. Cutler to accept the donation. Passed 6-0

Correspondence:
No correspondence

F.L.O.W. Report:

- 3 scholarships awarded totaling $6,500
- $11,975 in sponsorships received for Strawberry Festival
- Strawberry Festival Volunteers sign-up—86 of the 267 volunteer slots filled
- Strawberry Project plan being followed and tracked
- Book Fair will be held:

-Wednesday May 29 2 pm - 7:30 pm Preview Day FLOW, Seniors and Teachers only
-Thursday May 30 11 am - 7:30 pm
-Friday, May 31 11 am - 3 pm and then move the books to the high school

Director's April Report

Continued growth in all categories year over year.

- <u>Circulation</u>-15,920 items loaned compared to 15,112 April 2023
- <u>Registration</u>-8,184 patrons are registered, 49 new cards
- <u>Internet Use</u>-188 uses were recorded. This compares with 155 uses in April 2023
- <u>EBook lending</u>-974 eBooks were loaned. 920 eBooks loaned in April 2023
- <u>EAudiobook Lending</u>-1,376 eAudiobooks were loaned compared to 1,188 eAudiobooks loaned in April 2023
- <u>People Counter</u>-Visits during April 2024: 5,620; visits during April 2023: 3,219. Brick project began on 5/17/23, affecting those numbers

Flag pole to be repaired.
HVAC is now repaired and in good condition.

New bill proposed in the NH Senate that all municipality funding stay within NH, which makes a CD that would renew annually a good mechanism of savings.

A motion was made by C. Girata that the library be closed on August 16, 2024, to allow staff training and team building. The motion was seconded by K. Moltenbrey. Passed 6-0.

A potential new volunteer intern will be interviewed by the Director.

The Director recommended a new children's room hire, Joan Carbone to fill the open position. Motion was made by J. Cutler to hire a grade 10 step 1 position for part-time Children's librarian. K. Moltenbrey seconded. Passed 6-0.

Treasurer's Report:
4 months of the year have passed and 26.7% of the budget has been spent. The library remains in compliance with RSA 32:7.

Trustee Committee's Reports:

There are no reports.

New Business:

Policy Reviews—Policies need to be reviewed. Book challenges and pandemic policy need to be updated and made more generic. Also to be revised: social media policy, cybersecurity policy, and E-commerce policy.

Community Power—We need to continue monitoring energy options.

Old Business:
HB 321—Subcommittee meeting scheduled for July 19, 5:00 pm.

Strawberry Festival—Reviewed volunteer schedule for trustees members with all members assigned times. A list of ingredients for ice cream and Bisquick needs to be posted.

Public Comments:

No public comments

Non-public session

A motion was made by Motion to enter Nonpublic Session made by J. Murphy seconded by K. Moltenbrey to go into nonpublic sessions per RSA 91-A:3, II (a). A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 6-0.

The public session reconvened at 8:36 pm. A motion made by J. Cutler to seal the minutes from that nonpublic session; seconded by K. Moltenbrey. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 6-0.

Announcements:
The next meeting will be held June 17, 2024, at 6:30 pm.

A motion to adjourn was given by K. Moltenbrey and seconded by C. Girata.Vote passed 6-0. The meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Robin Bostic