



Nesmith Library Board of Trustees

Meeting Minutes

August 12, 2024, Nesmith Library, 6:30 pm

Present:

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

Director: Sylvie Brikiatis, Assistant Director: Karen Burbank

Public: None present

Absent: Beth Talbott

Call to Order: By T. Abbamondi at 6:39 pm

Mission statement: Read by T. Abbamondi

Approval of Meeting Minutes:

Motion made by K. Moltenbrey to approve the minutes of the June 17, 2024 meeting. Public Session seconded by J. Cutler. Passed (5-0). R. Bostic abstained.

Gifts

No new gifts

Correspondence:

No correspondence

F.L.O.W. Report:

- Strawberry Project plan starting for 2025

- Book Fair will be held: 12/4-12/7
- Funding towards a new book drop will be included in proposed budget.

Director's April Report

Overview.

- Circulation. In July 2024, 19583 items were loaned. By contrast, 21080 items were loaned during July 2023.
- Registration. 8360 patrons are registered as of the end of July. 86 new cards were issued in July 2024.
- Internet use. In July 2024, 190 uses were recorded. This compares with 209 uses in July 2023.
- EBook lending – 1036 eBooks were loaned in July 2024. 952 eBooks were loaned in July 2023.
- EAudiobook Lending – 1560 eAudiobooks were loaned in July 2024. 1232 eAudiobooks were loaned in July 2023
- People Counter. Visits during July 2024: 6306 Visits during July 2023: 5915.
- Sunday visits. 318
- Parking lot was re-striped.
- Aspen is now set up for credit cards.
- Employee development continues with Stephanie utilizing an approved 1 year Library leaders MD course.
- Several staff will be attending NELA in October.

Treasurer's Report:

7 months of the year have passed and 52.16% of the budget has been spent. The library remains in compliance with RSA 32:7.

Trustee Committee's Reports:

Will be reviewed in the non-public discussion

New Business:

- K. Moltenbrey made a motion to accept the amendment of the Collection Development Policy and adoption of New Reconsideration Policy. C. Girata seconded. Vote made and passed (6-0)
- Elaine's plaque was reviewed and a ceremony is to be scheduled.
- The Heidenblad History Program two year strategic plan was presented by Molly Pevna. The goal was established to make the room more accessible and inviting to patrons. Estimated cost is \$32,000 not including portrait refurbishment.
- There is a need to be consistent with GMILCS policy on holding books prior to distribution to other libraries.
- 2025 Budget-Draft level funded budget has to be sent to the town by September 20 2024. A Finance meeting is scheduled for August 23rd to review the proposed budget.
- Promotions were reviewed for Jo-ann to be provided from 13/5 to 15/4 and Laura from 11/5 to 15/2 f. J. Cutler made a motion to accept promotions and C. Girata seconded. Vote was made and passed (6-0).

Old Business:

- Sealed minutes review
- Director Review

A motion was made to unseal minutes as recommended by the review committee by C. Girata and seconded by K. Moltenbrey. Vote passed 6-0.

The following minutes will be unsealed on August 24, 2024.

Date	Name sealed
May 13, 2024	Minutes
May 13, 2024	Draft Minutes
May 13, 2024	Minutes
May 13, 2024	Edited Minutes
Feb 12, 2024	Minutes
August 14, 2023	Minutes
April 24, 2023	Minutes
Feb 13, 2023	
January 9, 2023	Minutes
January 9, 2023 I	
April 11, 2022	
March 14, 2022	
February 27, 2022	
April 20, 2021	Minutes
Feb 9, 2021	

Dec 8, 2020	Minutes
Feb 18, 2020	Minutes
December 10, 2019	Minutes
November 12, 2019	
July 19, 2019	Minutes
April 9, 2019	Minutes
Jan 15, 2019	

Dec 18, 2018	
Nov 27, 2018	
Jan 9, 2018	Minutes
November 15, 2016	
Oct 13, 2015	
Feb 16, 2016	
May 12, 2015	
March 4, 2008	Minutes
October 12, 2004	Minutes
September 14, 2004	Minutes
November 18, 2003	Minutes

Public Comments:

No public comments

Non-public session

A Motion to enter Non Public Session made by C. Girata was seconded by R. Bostic at 8:11 pm to go into nonpublic sessions per RSA 91-A:3, II (a). A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 6-0.

A motion was made by J. Murphy to leave nonpublic session and return to public session; seconded by K. Moltenbrey. The motion passed 6-0.

The public session reconvened at 9:31 pm. A motion made by K. Moltenbrey to seal the minutes from that nonpublic session until February 2025; seconded by J. Cutler. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 6-0.

Announcements:

The next meeting will be held on September 9th at 6:30 pm.

A motion to adjourn was made by R. Bostic seconded by J. Cutler. Vote passed 6-0. The meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Robin Bostic

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