BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES MEETING

September 7, 2023 (in-person, ZOOM available)

PRESENT: Jeanne Cianciola, Chairperson Tammy Tedeschi, Treasurer (attended virtually) Pimhatai Koslowsky, Secretary Virginia Johnson, Library Director

<u>Call to Order:</u> The meeting was called to order at 4:15 p.m. by the chairperson. There were six participants who attended virtually via Zoom and one participant attended in person.

Public Comments:

Ms. Vanessa O'Connor, 43 Mayflower Circle, Ms. Rachel Hughes, 28 Stockbridge Road and Mr. Greg Satterwhite, 127 Walnut Street, expressed their support for the Saturday hours during the summer. Mr. Satterwhite also commented that the time of the board meeting is not accessible for the majority of the public to attend. Please refer to the Town of Hanover website to view the recorded meeting for more details, <u>9-7-23 Board of Library Trustees meeting</u>.

Minute Approval:

The board voted to postpone the minutes approval of the May 2, 2023 meeting and the June 15, 2023 meeting to the next meeting in October.

Treasurer's report:

The treasurer reported a balance of \$1,235,040.73 in the John Curtis Free Library account as of the end of July 2023 and a balance of \$400,664.07 in Barbara Mann Trust for the reporting period of April 2023-June 2023

Director's Report:

<u>Building issues</u> The library now has an interior roof access. The new sign is installed. <u>Staff issues</u> Current Library Substitute Katherine Graham will step into the vacant Library Assistant position on August 31,2023. Three new Librarian substitutes were hired.

OLD BUSINESS

<u>Circulation Policy</u> the director will clarify and add policies for minors. The board agreed to revisit the updated Circulation Policies in the next meeting in October.

<u>Programming</u> Policy the director asked the board to review the Library Programming Policy. The board will discuss and approve the policy in the future meeting.

<u>Display Policy Update</u> the Board voted to approve the updated Library Material Display policy on September 7, 2023. The board agreed that the document does not need to be signed by the board and will use the meeting minutes from this meeting on September 7, 2023 as an approval and the document will list the members of the current Board of Library Trustees that approved the Updated Display Policy.

NEW BUSINESS

<u>Saturday Hours</u> the Director gave a presentation to explain the reasons the library is unable to stay open on Saturdays during the summer months.

Resident Comment: Mr. Chris Haraden suggested the Library organize a Public Forum to allow the public the opportunity to discuss further. The director said she is happy to organize the Public Forum and asked Mr. Haraden to reach out to her.

The next meeting is scheduled to be on Thursday October 5, 2023 at 4:15 p.m. The meeting adjourned at 5:02 p.m.

For more details, please review the Video On-Demand on the <u>Board of Library Trustees</u> webpage for the <u>9-7-23 Board of Library Trustees meeting</u>.

Pimhatai Koslowsky Secretary

<u>Documents distributed:</u> BOLT agenda for September 7, 2023, Director's report, Updated Circulation Policies, Library Display Policy, Library Programming Policy, May 2, 2023 meeting minutes draft, June 15, 2023 meeting minutes draft, JCFL Summer Saturday Hours Presentation