

DRAFT Annual Meeting of GFL Library Board Minutes - March 22, 2024

Present: Brenden Beer, Mimi Benedict, Paula Davidson, Shelly Jungwirth, Jennifer Lucas, Beth Meacham, Sharon Putney, Carol Reynolds, Fan Watkinson; guests Becky Arnold, Naomi Ranz-Schleifer

Absent: John Miller

1. Welcome - meeting opened at 3:33
2. Introduction of new members (Fan Watkinson-Regular Trustee, Mimi Benedict -2 yr term, and Brenden Beer - alternate)
3. Minutes of the 2023 annual meeting accepted and approved (2023 annual meeting minutes were part of the March monthly minutes in 2023 and were not noted separately).
4. Motion for new members to the board: Fan, Mimi (2 year) Brendan (alternate), Jennifer (treasurer)
Trustees: Jennifer Lucas, Beth Meachem, Paula Davidson, Shelly Jungwirth, Sharon Putney, Fan Watkinson, Mimi Benedict, Alternates: John Miller, Carol Reynolds, Brenden Beer
5. Motion carried unanimously for Election of officers - Chair- Shelly Jungwirth; Vice Chair: Fan Watkinson, Treasurer: Jennifer Lucas, Secretary: Fan Watkinson
6. Regular time and day of meetings- Friday, third Friday of the month at 3:30 pm
7. Distribution of materials for new members
8. Adjournment 3:48 pm

Trustee Monthly Meeting Minutes - March 22, 2024

Meeting opened 3:49

Expectation to be succinct during the meetings; read notes ahead so less reporting, more discussion

Current Library Business:

1. Approved 2/16/24 Minutes-
 - Send past and future minutes to Mary Metcalf to post on the website
2. Treasurer's Report
 - Appropriation approved by Greensboro \$41,000
 - Behind in donations but ahead budget due to grant of \$7500
 - John, Carol and Jennifer working on the inspection of the books for the year
3. Chili Dinner & Insurance Coverage
 - Dinner went smoothly, smaller turnout, not sure why
 - Insurance quotes for Workmans Comp/ D&O; Town liability insurance insures contents to \$200k
 - Building: 1) ramp extended for safety reasons 2) grant to build meeting space/telehealth room
3) meeting planned with Beth/Shelly to review maker space options with architect
4. Friends of the Library - Possibilities for Library's future
 - Goal- Assessing future needs to serve community as village resource: surveys confirm challenges of safety, accessibility, parking; unresolvable in this location;
 - visited Town Building spaces, sized comparably to current square footage;

- Village Trust Initiative funds up to \$500k assistance to 20 communities to spearhead process to renovate historic buildings through 3 groups: PTV, VCRD, VCF; rolling out grant opportunity soon; application would lead to more conversations, assessments how this could work and then support in the process of community alignment and fundraising
 - now is the time to voice interest to the Selectboard in the Town Hall as solution to library challenges; timing of RuralEdge option agreement expires at end of month; current timing is important; community weigh this as another option
 - Unanimous approval of motion to consider the option of relocating the library to the Town Hall and presenting to the Selectboard our interest.
5. Programs- update in Librarian's Report; also seeking poems about spring; haiku, DIY to reduce trash;
 6. Librarians Report - in addition to written report, Paula/Emily attending VT Library Conference; webinar, summer intern 10-20 hours through pilot UVM program, idea of Americorp Vista student
 - Unanimous approval to coordinate with UVM in intern program.
 7. HR – April 5 9:30 meeting to discuss quarterly reviews and ad for Mackenna's replacement
 8. Maintenance - spring gutters installed, foam insulation quote for fall (funds then available)
 9. Logo- participants asked to choose their first and second choice of 3 concepts presented by Monday, March 25

Meeting adjourned 5:31 pm

Date of Next Meeting as decided by Trustees in Annual Meeting----- April 19 at 3:30 pm

Date of Maker's Space Meeting: April 12, 1:00pm

Date of HR Meeting April 5 9:30 am