

GFL TRUSTEES MINUTES

Friday, December 29, 2023 3:30 pm

Present: Paula Davidson, MacKenna Lapierre, Emily Purdy, Jennifer Lucas, Beth Meacham, John Miller, Carol Reynolds **Remote:** Tony Acheson, Shelly Jungwirth, Rose Modry, Fan Watkinson **Absent:** Carol Reynolds, Sharon Putney

1. Approved 11/17/23 Minutes

2. **Librarian's Report** - accepted; programs planned, donations processed, new youth volunteer

3. Treasurer's Report

- November Financials-newsletter brought in early donations so financials strong.
- 2023 Financials- unique exceptional year due to one time donations; will prepay staff's Steps planned for '24 as a bonus in '23
- 2024 Budget- met repeatedly with Selectboard seeking cuts due to high costs of floods
 - trustees unanimously approved '24 budget with projected \$4.5 loss; plan covers 2 staff at library at all times for safety and service

4. Friends of the Library Working Group

- Met to discuss building satisfaction and created **questionnaire, to be emailed in early Jan.** to staff, trustees, volunteers, groups using library spaces
- Next FOL meeting Mon. 1/22/24 at 4 pm.

5. Facilities Report

- Basement remediation completed! Now drying space in multiple ways
- Gutter for \$13k approved by selectboard; to be installed in April
- No other expenditures on ramp until install gutters/observe weather impacts

6. Human Resources Report

- Current Trustees Terms sent to Kim Greaves by Tony
- 2 Nominees for Class of '27 with 3 Year Terms
 - nominate Jennifer Lucas and Fan Watkinson from town meeting floor in March
- Brendan to be elected as alternate by Trustees in March

7. **Programs Report** -upcoming Spanish, Death Cafe, Opera Pre-view; *performers need lodging*

8. **Chili Dinner**-maybe early March before town meeting; Beth and others will discuss/lead

9. Logo Report

- No submissions yet. One high school student interested/will visit GFL.
- Fan to reach out to Caspian Artist group again and Jackson Miller

Thank You! to Jennifer Lucas for year end bookkeeping/budgeting and to Beth Meacham for pushing building projects ahead.

Next Regular Monthly Meeting Friday, Jan 19, 3:30 pm.

Adjourned 5:13 Submitted by Fan Watkinson, Secretary