

Goodnow Library Board of Trustees

Minutes

Tuesday, December 6, 2022, 6:30pm

Recording of the proceeding can be found at sudburytv.org.

Call to order: Lily called the meeting to order at 6:34pm

Notice of the meeting recording: Lily gave notice of the meeting being recorded.

Attendance: All trustees in attendance.

Minutes:

Barbara motioned and Ingrid seconded to approve the meeting minutes for the Nov 1 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Friends of the Goodnow Library Listening Session:

The Trustees had invited the Friends to come to this meeting and present a proposal for how the Friends envisioned a relationship between the Friends and the Trustees / Library moving forward.

The Friends in attendance were:

- Alice Levine - President
- Susan Pettit - Vice President
- Laura Downling - Treasurer
- Lisa Cornacchia - Clerk
- Claudia Brandon
- Barbara Cook
- Maria Dawson
- Pat Scott

Alice gave an introduction. This was followed by Laura, Claudia, and Lisa presenting information about their organization and their viewpoint of past conflicts.

The Friends closed their presentation with a proposal for more meetings between the Friends, Trustees, and Foundation. They also suggested cross-organization liaisons.

Lily thanked the Friends for coming to this meeting.

Trustees' Report:

Correspondence - an email was received from Len Simon.

Director's Report:

Esmé and Karen Tobin attended the Dementia Friendly Sudbury ceremony at the Senior Center. Karen has been an active member of the Dementia Friendly Sudbury committee since its inception. Thank you for all your work in this important area.

Last year a young father and frequent library user passed away suddenly. Since his passing there has been incredible outreach from his colleagues, friends, and family to donate something to the library in his memory. A bench will be placed in the Children's Patio with a commemorative plaque and remaining funds will be earmarked for future children's programming. Thank you to the staff and community members who have contributed to this wonderful tribute.

FY24 Budget

Esmé presented the formal budget documents that she will submit to the Town. As discussed in our previous meeting, there will be 2 staff adjustments asked for upgrading the Teen Librarian position and upgrading a part-time Reference Librarian to full time.

The Trustees voted unanimously to approve these budget documents for submittal.

The Trustees also reviewed a letter addressed to the Town Manager in support of these budget requests.

Ingrid motioned and Katina seconded to send this letter to the Town Manager and also send copies to the Finance Committee and Select Board. The motion passed unanimously.

Foundation Report:

It was noted that the Foundation Report is in the meeting packet.

Old Business:

None.

New Business:

Natalie suggested discussing the pros/cons of public comment at our meetings at a future meeting.

Adjournment:

At 7:52 pm adjournment.

Documents used during the meeting:

1. Trustees' Agenda 2022-12-6
2. Goodnow Library Trustees Meeting Minutes - Nov 1, 2022
3. Director's Report - 2022-12-6
4. Director's Report Supplement (Budget Documents)
5. Trustees' Letter to Town Manager
6. Goodnow Library Foundation Report - 2022-12-6

Next Meeting: Tuesday, Jan 3, 2023 6:30pm