

Chamberlin Free Public Library

Board of Trustees Meeting

June 12, 2023, at 6:30 pm

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Present: Charles Brault, Maggie Josti, Judith Wilkins, Lauren Pashayan, Diane Steele, Deb Sprat

The meeting is being recorded.

Minutes of the May meeting were reviewed and approved.

The treasure's report was reviewed and accepted after the following discussions: Cost of post office box concern was raised that this should be complementary. Charles will check in with the post office and concern will be moved to revisit in the next year's budget. Option to offer Hot Spots to check out based off interest expressed for boosted coverage. Deb will share best practices from her library hot spot activities.

Circulation Report reviewed and asked to include Teen activity statistics to the Programs report even with no attendance for tracking purposes. Otherwise, all on par.

Systems needed are new phones and wireless server, board has asked for the selection process to understand purpose of the item or brand purchase. Would like to see more research that shares how purchased items are to ultimately benefit library patrons and colleagues to document the rational. Would like to create a trail for succession planning to better equip other colleagues.

Bicycle rack update from Judith that the Charlie is meeting with the town to approve and pay for bike rack to be available for patrons visiting the library.

Monthly collection spotlight shared list of topics that will be changed based off seasons and tailored to our town interests. Board discussed nature and scope of monthly collection spotlight to be review and expand list to bring information forward to help enlighten patrons based off national recognized monthly topic. Discussion led to task of creating a mission for the library.

Summer activities and outreach to local schools and library in New Ipswich to ensure that programs do not compete. Maggie asked to have materials to be shared with Greenville Estates events board. Programs/ events throughout the year to share i.e Fall line up to be shared at next meeting.

Conference report: Grant information and building funds that shared creative uses of grants as well as the importance of a mission statement. First amendment

conference information to share awareness of group coming to public offices to incite and censorship/challenging need to ensure that there is a policy and procedure in place when someone challenges a book.

Discussion that encourages the library to display a LGBTQ decal to symbolize that this is a safe and accepting environment.

Application for 100 Eclipse glasses submitted for April 2024- Eclipse with hope to set up 4 telescopes for viewing and programs set up.

The meeting is adjourned.

The next meeting is on

Respectfully submitted,

Natalie Klebes