



CITY OF DOVER

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES---MINUTES

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting
Meeting Location: Dover Public Library, 73 Locust St., Dover, NH 03820
Meeting Date: **Thursday, March 4, 2021**
Meeting Time: **4:00pm**

1. **CALL TO ORDER**--The March meeting was called to order at 4:03pm by Michael Egan. Also attending were Susan Story Galt, Ann Schultz, Dorothy Wagner, Deborah Thibodeaux, Denise LaFrance, and Emily Fortin. Carol Boc was an excused absence.
2. **MINUTES---FEBRUARY 4, 2021** Minutes of the February meeting were approved on a motion made by Dorothy Wagner and seconded by Ann Schultz. Unanimously approved.
3. **REPORT OF THE LIBRARY DIRECTOR (FEBRUARY) --** The Report of the Library Director was approved on a motion made by Susan Story Galt and seconded by Dorothy Wagner. Unanimously approved.
4. **CORRESPONDENCE---** None to report.
5. **OLD BUSINESS**
 - A. Library Giving Day/Friends of the Library: The Friends of the Library hope to participate in Library Giving Day this year, which will be April 7.
 - B. AARP tax help: The library is working with AARP's tax help volunteers to coordinate this year's tax help program. Patrons are able to schedule an appointment to bring in their tax papers, the preparers will complete the paperwork, and a second appointment will be made for patrons to pick up their completed materials.
 - C. Chopped/Evan Hennessey: The library's Chopped program was very successful, and we hope to work with Chef Evan Hennessey again on a program in conjunction with NH Sea Grant.
6. **NEW BUSINESS**
 - A. CIP-roof RFP: The city's Facilities Director is working with us to have a consultant examine the library's roof to make a plan for its replacement.
 - B. Fire Suppression System: The fire suppression system needs extensive repair as many of the pipes have corroded.
 - C. Official letters concerning mask wearing: The library is very serious about upholding our mask mandate. The City Attorney wrote a letter detailing our mask requirement that we can give to patrons who refuse to wear a mask while they are in the library.
 - D. Grants: We are currently looking for grants that we can apply for in order to procure funds for renovations. Several staff members have recently taken a class on grant writing to help move forward with this process.



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E. RFW & The Place: The library is the first location in Dover to receive both Recovery Friendly Workplace and The Place designations. With these designations the library was able to make partnerships with SOS Recovery and the Dover Mental Health Alliance.

UPCOMING PROGRAMS

March: Virtual Cookbook Club—Plenty by Ottolenghi
March 1: The New Normal: New England road Trip with Ted Reinstein
March 1, 7, 15, 21 & 29: Virtual Dungeons & Dragons, 18 and under
March 2 Dungeon World RPG: 18 and older, 6 to 8pm
March 3 & 17: Knitting Group, 9:30am to 11:30am
March 4: Morning Book Group—10am in person discussing American Marriage by Tayari Jo
March 8: Teen Advisory Board, 6pm to 7pm.
March 9, 11, 16, 18, 23, 25, & 30: Family storytimes-- 10am to 10:30am
March 10, 17, 24 & 31: Read to a Librarian, 9am to 12pm
March 10: Matter of Fact: Non-Fiction Book Club, 10am to 11am
March 12, 19 & 26: Mother Goose on the Loose, 10am to 10:30am (Virtual)
March 15 Afternoon & Evening Book Group: 3pm or 6:30pm—in person or virtual discussing In a Dark, Dark Wood by Ruth Ware.
March 19 & 26: Global Poetry Society, 4pm
March 17: Pizza & Pages teen book group, 6pm
March 17, 24 & 31: Organic Gardening with Vincent Cirasole
March 29: What's it Worth—Antique and collectible appraisal program
March 31: Get Lit! Adult Book Club, 6:30pm

7. **ITEMS OF CONCERN:** None to report.

8. **ADJOURNMENT** The meeting was adjourned at 4:33pm on a motion made by Ann Schultz and seconded by Susan Story Galt. Unanimously approved.

NEXT MEETING DATE: THURSDAY, APRIL 1, 2021 @ 4:00PM