Chester Library Board of Trustees

Meeting Minutes: Monday, May 15th, 2023

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I. Call to Order

The Chester Library Board of Trustees held a meeting on Monday, May 15th, 2023 at the Chester Public Library. In attendance were Sandy Senior-Dauer, Peggy Carter-Ward, Abbi Rice, Devin Chester, Jen Rice and Stephanie Romano, Library Director. Absent: Karin Badger. Guests in attendance: None. Call to order at 6:01 pm by Sandy Senior-Dauer, Chair.

II. Secretary's Report

Motion by Peggy Carter-Ward, 2nd by Devin Chester to approve the March 20th meeting minutes as written. Unanimous approval.

III. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer's Report made available to all board members prior to the meeting. Reviewed March and April reports.

IV. Old Business

- A. Strategic report: Discussed draft strategic planning goals including: 1) Accessibility 2) Governance 3) Programming/Services/Collection Management 4) Community Relations 5) Financial Resources. Updates made and the revised plan will be shared with board members for review prior to discussion and vote at the next meeting.
- B. Friends: Discussed as it pertains to strategic planning goals. Still in need of volunteers for the Friends.

V. Librarian's Report

The Library Director provided the monthly report to board members prior to the meeting and discussed the following:

- Successful poetry program with about 50 attendees.
- Upcoming programs: Patriotic Music for Cello performance May 19th at 7pm at the Meeting House; children's summer reading program event June 21st at 3pm; Tri-town partnership program for kids July 27th. Shell & Bee studio programs in July and August.

VI. New Business:

Sandy Senior-Dauer working on summer concerts on the Meeting House green.

VII. Audience of Citizens: None

VIII. Adjournment: Motion by Jen Rice, 2nd by Peggy Carter-Ward to adjourn at 7:18pm. Unanimously approved. Next meeting: Monday, June 12th at 6pm at the library.

Respectfully submitted by Jen Rice.