

Whitefield Public Library
Board of Trustees
****ANNUAL MEETING****
April 7, 2025

Annual Meeting was called to order at 9:58am.

Attendees: Suzy Colt, Sondra Brekke, Cathy Atwood, Judy Gessner, Mary Ellen Cummins, Diane Ash, Katy Kopp, Courtney Vashaw
Katy moved to approve minutes from March 3, 2025. Diane seconded.

Reports:

Treasurer's Report

Courtney sent out a detailed expenditure report and we are on track for spending.

Update on CD transfers- Judy and Katy moved CD's to appropriate accounts.

Officer position/titles-we reviewed Trustee titles. Google documents must be used by the board treasurer and secretary. The board voted to transition treasurer duties from Katy to Sondra with Sondra possibly gaining a larger role with reporting once she is trained on Google documents. Mary Ellen will be secretary for the remainder of her one year term. Judy will remain as president. Mary Ellen moved to accept and Cathy seconded.

Library Director's Report

Facilities- Approval from the Whitefield planning board has been granted for the renovation. We did learn that there was a change from the 25 foot setback to a 10 foot setback "in the village". This may make it possible for one additional parking spot.

We are holding off on cabinet installation until we see more detailed plans for the renovation.

Financial – DOJ report was completed by Suzy.

We received a \$3000 grant from CFA/New Hampshire Humanities for Community Programming, pending government changes.

Suzy reported on the NH Public Deposit IP (PDIP) and we decided to put our money with them as it is more easily accessible.

Do we have interest in joining the chamber? Mary Ellen reported that it is \$75 a year and there are many Chamber resources that the library can use to promote our events including the website

(<https://www.northerngatewaychamber.org/>)

Cathy moved to approve the expenditure of funds and Sondra seconded. Passumpsic bank granted us a three year \$2000 a year grant. Rotary service, credit union, and children's health foundation has been submitted. Suzie gave a WOLF fundraising update: there are four or five children programs confirmed and she got some co-sponsored. She is working on getting some performers sponsored.

Community - Courtney reported that in the first three weeks of the Dolly Parton Imagination Library (DPIL) 449 kids have enrolled.

June Programming-New Hampshire author Abi Maxwell (One day I will grow up and be a beautiful woman) may be asked to do a book talk via zoom. The board agreed that this may fit in well with pride month themes.

Personnel

Update on employee health insurance status-we are waiting on our letter response from the select board. It was agreed that we will give them until April 21 to respond before we hire a lawyer. **Sondra noted after meeting that next Selectboard meeting is April 28.

Next Meeting: May 5, 2025

Adjourned: 12:03pm