

MADISON LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
MAY 21, 2025 @ 3:30 PM
JOHN F. CHICK ROOM
APPROVED MINUTES

ATTENDING: Bruce Borofsky, Betty Fernandes, Mary Holmes, Bruce Kennedy, Cheryl Littlefield, Karen Lord, Christina McAllister, Patti Rau, Linda Smith, Peter Stevens; Susan Lee, Friends of the Library; Sloane Jarell, Library Director

CALL TO ORDER: Cheryl Littlefield called the meeting to order at 3:30 PM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

April 16, 2025, Regular Meeting: Motion by Bruce Kennedy to approve the minutes of 4/16/25, seconded by Peter Stevens. There was a correction of a date. With this correction the minutes as amended were approved unanimously.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER: Treasurer Bruce Borofsky said he had studied the budget and had some questions regarding billing, credits, technology and other issues which were answered by Library Director Sloane Jarell.

Motion by Bruce Kennedy to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Christina McAllister. The motion passed unanimously and the report was accepted and filed for audit.

LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Library Director Sloane Jarell:

- The generator trench has been dug and the propane tanks have been hooked up. We are waiting for the inspector so that we can fill in the trench.
- We have no date yet for the water filtration system.
- The Summer Reading Program will have a big kickoff with Lego Night.
- June will be a busy month with Once Upon a Time Story Hour, Cookbook Club, Crafts, and Dinner and a Movie.
- We have reached out to the Summer Recreation Department to see if they would like to participate in our Summer Reading Activities.
- The CLiF final event will take place at the Madison Elementary School, and Denise will be attending; we will be advertising our Summer Reading Program and Activities.
- There will be a joint press release from the Madison and Tamworth libraries regarding the new doors that will be installed at both libraries, along with an invitation to a meeting on June 18 from 6:00 -7:00 PM for a discussion about how we can make our library more accessible.

GALLERY: Peter Stevens:

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY: Susan Lee said the Friends have presented three programs so far this year; two were Zoom meetings and one was in person with Sarah Groleau, which was well attended. She said our next program will be on June 10: "Discovering and Rediscovering Pompeii," presented by Ann and David Wilkins, in the Chick Room at 7:00 PM. She said the Friends have supported Kanopy, the Summer Reading Program, One Book One Valley and other programs this year.

OLD BUSINESS

Investment Policy – Sarah Groleau: Christina McAllister said that Sarah Groleau is going to send us an investment policy. She said Sarah is concerned that we need to be more diversified, we need to adhere to restrictions, and we need a gift policy. Sloane said there may be someone at the New Hampshire Library and Trustees Association who can help with these issues as well.

Update on Master Plan and Setting Our Goals: Cheryl Littlefield had four pages of questions to ask board members in regard to the Madison Master Plan. Questions were asked and answered.

NEW BUSINESS

John Filson – Letter from Ann: Remembrance at the library in July.

OTHER BUSINESS: PEG TV: Looking for a new home: Sloane asked the board if the library could offer space to PEG TV. The board raised a number of concerns and it was decided that Sloane could offer library space if a number of conditions were met.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Bruce Kennedy to adjourn, seconded by Peter Stevens. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 5:10 PM.

Next Meeting: June 18, 2025, @ 3:30 PM

Town of Madison
Board of Library Trustees Approved Minutes
May 21, 2025
Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Ambrose
Recording Secretary