

## **LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**

### **LOWER LEVEL OF THE LIBRARY**

**April 7, 2025 – 7:00 P.M.**

### **REGULAR MEETING**

### **MINUTES**

**NOTE:** These are summary minutes. A tape recording of this meeting is on file in the Commission Secretary's office in the Town Hall.

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER:** Meeting called to order at 7:00 P.M.

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** (Chair) William O'Brien, Lori Conant, Crystal Caouette, Pat Najarian, Sue Ouellette, Lauresha Xhihani and Dawn Bertrand

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** Janet Tynan and Tory Davis

**ALSO PRESENT:** Matt Earls, Library Director

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

### **APPROVAL OF March 3, 2025, MINUTES**

**MOTION:** made by Crytal Caouette to accept March 3, 2025, minutes, seconded by Lori Conant, all in favor, no one opposed. **MOTION CARRIED**

**Taxpayer's Time-** None

**Correspondence and Communications-**None

**Committee Appointments:** Wolcott Public Library Board of Trustees 2024-2025 Committees as of 4-7-2025 sheets were passed out to all board members.

Welcomed newest board member Dawn Bertrand.

**Friends of the Library Report:** Very busy and successful book fair. Sold many children's books.

This Saturday April 12, 2025, the cleanup will begin on the grounds.

### **Library Director's Report and Financial Report/Bills for March 2025**

Been a very busy month, the repair café was a success as well as the Teddy Bear Repair.

**Personnel:** Interviewing for two positions.

- Fixed the firewall and moved some cubicles.
- Have been awarded the Pegpetia Grant for 8 new computers.
- Working with CASA and Youth Services on The Anxious Generation (Stop letting screens raise your kids). Looking to get teachers or anyone who can be in the room for the support of the children. This event will be May 22, 2025 from 6:30-7:30.

**Programs:** Dog Adoption event will be Saturday, April 19, 2025, from 12-2 with Dog Star Rescue. An egg dying event will be taking place the same day.

The cookie event was a success, The cookbook club which will now be a quarterly event.

Matt Earls would like the board to approve the last weekend in June to go to the American Library Association Conference in Philadelphia. Will be a great opportunity for him and the library.

Discussed and went over the Expenditure Report.

Discussed the numbers of the programs and where to encumber the money. Discussed the Grants and expenditure accounts. Look into Micro bit was in the discussion on Path Finder.

We received two new picnic tables and discussed the rut in the grass that needs repair.

#### **Committee Reports:**

**Programs:** Wolcott Community News

**Facilities and Grounds:**

**Finance and Budget:** budget presentation to The Town Council April 15, 2025

**Long Range Plan:** continuing development of survey

**Personnel:**

**Technology:**

**Library Renovations Committee:**

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** None

**Recommend Motion: “that the board go into Executive session”**

**MOTION:** made by Crystal Caouette seconded by Lori Conant that the board go into “Executive Session “all in favor no one opposed **MOTION CARRIED**

**ADJOURNMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**RECOMMEND MOTION:** “the board moves to come out of” Executive Session”

**MOTION:** made by Pat Najarian and seconded by Lori Conant to come out of executive session at 8:02 p.m., all in favor, no one opposed **MOTION CARRIED**

**MOTION TO ADJOURN:** made by Lori Conant and seconded by Crystal Caouette to adjourn meeting. No one opposed. **MOTION CARRIED**

**Adjourn: 8:03 P.M.**

Respectfully submitted:

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Laurie Morrone, Secretary

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William O’Brien, Chair, Wolcott Board of Trustees