

**Approved April 18**

**Record of the Frost Free Library  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
Frost Free Library, Marlborough, NH  
March 26, 2024**

**Call to order:** Julie Farhm called the meeting to order at 4:35 *In attendance:* Julie Farhm, Gilda Goodrich, Jane Pitt, Gina Paight, Terry Maugeri (voting for Earl Nelson), Henry Barker, Director. Public attending: Ed Moura and Joan Ames

**Secretary's Minutes:** A motion to accept the minutes for the February 15, 2024 meeting as amended was made by Gina Paight and seconded by Jane Pitt. The Motion passed.

**Welcome and Gifts:** Julie Farhm thanked Joan Ames for her gift given in memory of Bob Sweet and Rufus Frost III. Joan said there was no specific use for the gift. Trustees will find a meaningful way to remember Bob and Rufus.

**Treasurer's Report:** Rufe Frost has rolled over the \$10,000 CD given in memory of his grandfather. The family is still discussing the use of the money.

**Building Advisory Committee:**

- Ed Moura asked about the order of money to be spent. Jane said that a match was required for the grant and she believes the donation money will be spent first.
- Gina reported that there were two bids for construction manager. Steve Horton recommended Hutter Construction. The timeline for starting is still flexible.
- Henry is planning to start the move to the temporary space by May 1 with an opening by June 1.
- Jane recommended hiring a moving company to handle the move.
- There was some discussion about replacing the carpeting in the original library.

**Temporary Space:**

Henry presented the lease for 108 Main St. for library operations for \$1350 a month from May to March. The rent will come from staffing and facility maintenance lines in the budget. It was noted that the library checkbook has available funds.

Julie Farhm moved that the Library Board recommend to the selectmen that the Town enter into a lease for 108 Main St. for use as a location for temporary library services during construction. Gilda Goodrich seconded the motion. The motion passed. Jane will review the contract and ask about options for extension.

**Director's Report:** Henry Barker reported on the following:

- Programming attendance is improving. He is considering having some evening Zoom programs during the winter.
- Gutters have been added and the Moose Plate Grant is being closed out.
- The Apollo ILS trial run was successful.
- The summer reading program theme is "Adventure Begins at Your Library."

**New Officers and Alternates and Bylaw Amendment:** Julie Farhm moved that the Board of Trustees recommend Terry Maugeri to the Selectmen to serve as a Library Trustee alternate. Jane Pitt seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Gilda Goodrich moved that the Board of Trustees recommend Ed Moura to the Selectmen to serve as a Library Trustee alternate. Julie Farhm seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Bylaw amendment: Julie Farhm moved to amend the bylaws to provide that a quorum of the Board of Trustees be a simple majority of the board. Gilda Goodrich seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Julie Farhm moved that the library board include three alternates. Gilda Goodrich seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Julie Farhm moved that the Board of Trustees recommend Deb Paxton to the selectmen to serve as an alternate to the Library Trustees. Gilda Goodrich seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Gilda Goodrich moved the following slate of officers: Charley Wright and Julie Farhm co-chair, Gilda Goodrich secretary, Rufus Frost VI treasurer, Gina Paight assistant treasurer. Julie Farhm seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Jane Pitt moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:45. Julie Farhm seconded the motion. The motion passed.  
Next regular meeting: April 18, 2024, 5:30 at the library.

*Respectfully submitted,*  
Gilda Goodrich