

Approved November 21, 2024

**Record of the Frost Free Library
Board of Trustees Meeting
Frost Free Library, Marlborough, NH
October 17, 2024**

Call to order: Charley Wright called the meeting to order at 5:30 *In attendance:* Julie Farhm (5:35), Gilda Goodrich, Earl Nelson, Gina Paight, Deb Paxton (alternate voting for Jane Pitt), Charley Wright, Henry Barker, Director. Public Attending: Miriah Greenwood.

Secretary's Minutes: A motion to accept the minutes for September 19, 2024 was made by Earl Nelson and seconded by Charley Wright. The Motion passed.

Friends of the Frost Free Library: Miriah Greenwood reported for the Friends.

- The Friends raised \$1332.42 at the town wide yard sale held at the Community House on September 10.
- Friends week is October 21-25. The trustees will cover the cost of \$100 for a luncheon for a small group of active volunteers. The food will be provided by Main Crust.
- October 23 will be a chance for the Frost Free Friends to network with other small Friends organizations
- The annual bake sale and raffle will be held on October 26, at the thrift shop.

Gifts and Correspondence:

Donations:

- Homestead Thrift quarterly gift of \$1000
- Vic and Judy Deforest gift of \$300

Gina Paight moved that the Trustees accept the monetary gifts to the Frost Free Library. Julie Farhm seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Treasurer's Report: No treasurer's report.

Building Committee: Earl reported that the interior walls are framed and the electricians have started wiring. The opening celebration committee met.

Directors Report: Henry Barker, director, reviewed highlights of his October report.

- Henry continues to work with the school to connect with children and parents.
- He attended the "Radically Rural" conference and came away with many new ideas and new connections to people in Cheshire County.
- Beginning this month, Henry will be touring neighboring libraries to get ideas for organizing our new space.
- Chess club is very successful. Programming is continuing with an eye towards providing regularly scheduled events.
- Staff evaluation were completed
- Kanopy will be a pay per view to be funded by the Homestead donation
- Henry will be teaching six classes to the Marlborough Middle School grades 6-8. Two tech classes per grade.

The Trustees accepted the report.

Old Business:

Bylaws: Town administrator Ellen Smith has not heard back from the town attorney.

Contract renewal: Charley Wright proposed that trustees recommend that Henry Barker's contract be renewed for the year 2025. Julie Farhm seconded the motion. The motion was approved

Gina will research the creation of a three year contract.

Circulation policy: Charley Wright moved that the Trustees change the youth age in the circulation policy from 13 to 18. Julie Farhm seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Charley Wright moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:12. Julie Farhm seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Next regular meeting: November 21, 2024, 5:30 at the temporary library at 108 Main St.

Respectfully submitted,
Gilda Goodrich