

**AMHERST TOWN LIBRARY TRUSTEES MEETING**  
**April 21, 2025**

Attendance: Amy Lapointe, Nancy Baker, Gretchen Pyles, Steve Mantius, Liz Larson, Jackie McKnight and Jim McGinness

Attending via zoom: Nancy Head

Public meeting called to order at 6:40 p.m. by Mrs. Baker.

**Minutes of March 17th Board Meeting:** Liz moved to approve the March Library Board of Trustees meeting minutes; Steve seconded; all were in favor.

**Director's Report:**

- **Adult Programs:** Lots of upcoming and ongoing adult programs being offered; Learning to Play Mahjong being transformed into Let's Play Mahjong
- **Town:** New Town Administrator Lincoln Daley started about two weeks ago; NH Interlocal Trust is dissolving so town needs to find new insurance provider as of July 1, 2025
- **Friends of the Library:** Trivia Night to be held on May 7th at LaBelle Winery; it is sold out
- **Statistics:** Statistics reviewed; Jim created graphs to show statistics in a new format; door count is down
- **Children's Programs:** Student Art Show will be held May 10th; lots of other children's programs being offered
- **News:** Multiple bills pertaining to libraries are still pending in the New Hampshire legislature; there will be some logistical challenges if some of the bills pass; New Hampshire was awarded a grant from IMLS; as of March 31st, draw down amount still approved; State Finance Committee approved funding full time positions for the State Library through the end of the fiscal year

**New Gifts:**

- No new gifts.

**Treasurer's Report:**

- The library is operating slightly over budget but manageable; trustee funds from copier still available; investments handling the downturn

**Old Business:**

- Lisa Griffin was hired as our new Library Assistant I working 12 to 15 hours a week; Liz moved to approve this hiring; Steve seconded; all were in favor; board will continue regular policy review process; Amy will provide policies to review before the next meeting

**New Business:**

- Joint meeting with staff may be held Tuesday, June 24th; we will consider topics to be discussed which may include possible changes to the library space/layout

Steve moved to close the meeting at 7:19; Liz seconded; all were in favor.

The next Amherst Town Library Trustees meeting is **May 19, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.**