

**Barrington Public Library  
Board of Library Trustees Meeting Minutes  
March, 17th 2025**

**Present:** Trustees: Chair-Elect and Treasurer Melanie Haley, Vice Chair Lydia Cupp, Secretary Ezra Hodgson, Karolina Bodner, Richard Compagnone, Library Director Lydia Goodwin, and Alternate Robert Drew.

**Absent:** Diane Madariaga, Alternates Karen Towne, and Debbie Dadey

This meeting was called to order at 5:32pm.

**Public Comment:** No comment

**Approval of Meeting Minutes:** Robert made a motion to approve with corrections the minutes from the meeting on February 17th, seconded by Richard. The motion passed.

**Donations:** February donations totaled \$3,495.16.

Karolina made a motion to approve donations from February, seconded by Lydia C. The motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** Total interest received from First Seacoast Bank CDs was \$152.36 over the last month.

The checking and savings accounts received 8 cents in interest.

Robert made a motion that the Trustees move the \$10,675.52 currently in an FSB CD to the FSB checking account, after the CD matures on 3/26/26, seconded by Richard. The motion passed.

Lydia G and Melanie gave an audit update. Overall everything was really clean with no glaring issues.

**Select-board Liaison:** Not present

**Director's Report:** Lydia G reported that the Library budget passed. She has posted a part time position as of 3/17/26. Bouen is returning to supervise the repair of all the roof valleys to ensure no further leaks. Bouen is also working to replace the drivers for the lights in the lobby. The library will be closed on April 20th, 2026 for the library staff to receive active shooter training. Lydia G updated the "Interlibrary Loan Library Assistant" position to also include "Digital Services."

Richard made a motion to approve the Director's Report, seconded by Karolina. The motion passed.

Karolina made a motion to approve the Mission and Vision statements that Lydia G updated, seconded by Lydia C. The motion passed.

Robert made a motion to approve the new job description of "Digital Services & Interlibrary Loan Library Assistant," seconded by Karolina. The motion passed.

**Old Business:**

Robert made a motion defining Melanie as Chair, Ezra as Treasurer, and for there to be an upcoming vote on who will fill the Secretary position, seconded by Richard. The motion passed.

Fencing - Committee is to speak with Lydia G and walk the lot to determine where fence should be placed. Will reconvene next meeting on findings.

Karolina is to review the old non-public minutes with the new Secretary to present to the board and to unseal necessary minutes.

**New Business:**

There are 2 alternate positions that need to be filled. Melanie advised if any trustees had someone interested in the positions, to connect them with her. Lydia G will publish the need on the library website and on the weekly Sunday FaceBook post.

Melanie advised the the trustees need to develop a strategic plan for the library. Now that the new space is a reality, trustees need to research ideas for the library to continue to improve.

**Friends Report:**

Lydia C asked Lydia G if insurance is necessary for the Plant/Book Sale, which is to be held at the library in June. Lydia G is going to ask at her upcoming department head meeting. That event will be on June 6th, will run from 8am-12pm, with setup starting the Friday beforehand.

The Friends and the Bloomers have their "Books + Bloom" event on May 6th. The trustees plan to have a floral display for the competition. All displays are to be done by May 6th.

**Foundation Report:** None

**Final Comments:** None

**Adjourn:** Ezra made a motion to adjourn at 6:32pm, seconded by Lydia C. The motion passed.

Next regularly planned Library Trustees Meeting is April, 21st.

Minutes recorded by Secretary, Ezra Hodgson.