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Gilford Public Library Board of Trustees
Minutes of the February 9, 2022 Meeting

DRAFT

Attending: Katherine Dormody, Betty Tidd, Peter Ellis, Diane Tinkham, Alexis Jackson, and Mike Marshall

Minutes from the January 12 meeting were reviewed. Diane moved to accept as modified, Peter seconded. All in favor.

Reports

Circulation

Circulation of materials was about the same from last January with a slight increase in first time checkouts, decreases in renewals, and increases in digital usage. We signed up 18 new borrowers and 544 people took part in in-person programs. In addition, we had 24 people attend virtually and 1,460 7-day downloads. Computer usage was up over 75 percent and the door count was up over 60 percent from last year.

Programs

Numbers of people coming to in person programs continue to improve. Three hundred thirty-one adults, 34 teens, 179 children attended programs in January. Passive numbers remain high at 193 and virtual at 24. Virtual is down from last year when all programming was virtual.

Volunteers

We had 230.5 volunteer hours for January, up over 25 percent from last January.

Old Business

- A. Budget 2022 – The Town Deliberative Session is Thursday, February 10th at the High School.
- B. Friends Schedule - The February 15 meeting will be the first of 2022. Alexis will represent the Trustees.
- C. Grant - Stace took a full-time job. Katherine advertised and has hired Patty Myers to replace Stace.
- D. Garage Repairs - Cleanup has been slow because of the cold weather in January. We have donated materials to other libraries and are sorting, but it is a slow process.
- E. Library Programs - there are several new groups started. There are several new groups that have started including chess, beginner and advanced line dancing, and a portrait painting group sponsored by the Wesley Woods community. A New

Hampshire Humanities program titled Songs of Emigration is scheduled for Saturday February 26.

New Business

- A. Reconsideration Policy – We reviewed the updated policy. Alexis moved to accept, Peter seconded. All in favor
- B. Landscaping Contract – We reviewed the Belknap Nursery proposal for the coming season. Peter moved to accept, Diane seconded. All in favor.
- C. Personnel – We completed paperwork for part-time employees that have moved to other jobs.

Move to adjourn at 11:05 by Peter, seconded by Mike, all in favor.

Our next meeting will be March 9, 2022, at 10:00 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Alexis Jackson