



**Minutes of the Library Board of Trustees
Special Meeting February 9, 2023**

Present: Marti Wolf, Jennifer Allocca, Dick Backus, Betsy Whitman, Melissa Harvey, Robin Winslow, Kate Fitzpatrick,

Absent: John Fladd (Alternate)

Meeting called to order by Marti Wolf at 7:08 pm

Marti advised she has reached out to Jacob Fields who is running for the open Library Trustee position and invited him to the February 21st Board Meeting.

The Grange has requested use of the Russell Community Room in April for a scholarship fundraiser. Brief discussion to ensure this event complies with the recently adopted Meeting Room Usage Policy. Suggestion by Marti to change wording of policy from “philanthropic” to “charitable” and changing “commercial enterprises or organizations” to “organizations or commercial enterprises” for clarity. Robin will revise policy and bring forth to board for vote at the February 21st meeting. Betsy advised that the Friends of the Library have scheduled an auction event for April 15th requiring use of the Russell Community Room. Jennifer made a motion to approve a request by the Grange to use the Russell Community Room for the charitable scholarship fundraiser. Kate seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Marti suggested as part of the rollout of the new website a section be included titled “Meet the Whipple Free Library staff and trustees. All agreed this would be a beneficial section to include.

Marti requested we move to non-public session to discuss personnel matters in accordance with NH RSA 91-A:3. Dick made a motion to move to a non-public session at 7:18 pm. Betsy seconded the motion and all present indicated verbally they were in agreement.

At 7:57 pm Kate made a motion to move back into public session. Jennifer seconded the motion and all voted in favor.

Marti has been researching criteria for staff performance evaluations. She handed out sample evaluations and asked the board to review them and be prepared to discuss at our next meeting.

At 8:08 pm Betsy made motion to adjourn the meeting, Dick seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,
Robin Winslow, Secretary