

Haston Library Trustee Meeting Minutes

June 12th, 2025 @6pm

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 6:02pm by Deb Grennon.

Agenda Amendments: None

Attendance: Deb Grennon, Brenna Sturtevant, Allison Franklin, Linda Hartman, Lissy Bachelder and Library Director Josh Worman.

Absent: Jeffery Teitelbaum and David Pratt.

Public Comments: None

Review and Sign Warrants

Correspondence: A Thank You letter was sent from the “other” Haston Library in North Brookfield, MA. They also sent Josh home with some goodies – a couple books, a decorative plate and a model of their library.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: Moved by Linda to accept the minutes as written. Seconded by Alison. Carried unanimously to accept.

Treasurer’s Report: Moved by Linda to accept the report. Seconded by Brenna. Carried unanimously to accept.

Library Director’s Report:

- Very busy month with visits and programs.
- Visit to the “other” Haston Library in North Brookfield, MA was exciting and informative. Zoom recording will be posted as soon as it’s available. Josh was sent home with some goodies – a couple books, a decorative plate and a model of their library.
- VLA Conference was a great success. Josh enjoyed his time planning and presenting at the conference. He hopes to be involved in the conference again next year.
- The book sale after the Memorial Day festivities made \$229.52, with an additional \$120 from the rummage sale at the Pub. The most we have made to date!

Committee Updates

- Personnel: none
- Budget: none
- Strategic Planning: none
- Fundraising: none
- Maintenance: none
- Policy: Unattended Child Policy was amended and presented to the board for review. Moved by Alison to accept the Policy as written. Seconded by Linda. Carried unanimously to accept.
By-Laws were reviewed and will be posted for the 30-day period.

Old Business

- Open Meeting Video: All trustees are again asked to watch the video.
- Plant Swap (Saturday, May 17th): The weather was less than ideal but all plants were swapped. Over 30 people attended the event.
- Memorial Day Parade and Book Sale: Ran out of bags and candy. Will need to plan to make more for next year – 150 bags for next year.
Book sale went well and had lots of help. Thank you to Jen Renyak and Nikki Reese.

New Business

- Library Benefit at Due North (Sunday, June 29th 12pm-4pm)
 - Food trucks still need to be lined up. Some suggestions to contact were Pickle Snack Shack, Vermont Food Truck, Vermont Maple Creamy and Pheonix House.
 - Planning should start earlier next year so we can line up food. Maybe choosing the same weekend every year.
 - There was a suggestion to have some toys for kids to play with at the table. Table and canopies will need to be picked up and brought over day of.
- Library Bake Sale (Saturday, July 5th 11am-1pm)
 - Homestead will be asked to bake goods – individually wrapped. Donations for all goods except pies (\$12/each).
 - Set up at the library, baked good donations need to be dropped off at 10am.
 - Will need coolers and lots of ice. Possible use of the square card reader.
 - There was a suggestion that we utilize the same sign up system that we use for Town Meeting Luncheon.
 - Same day as the Fireman's BBQ lunch.

- Eben Racine Memorial Fund
 - Mark Racine came in and talked with Josh – 30 years has passed. They want us to use the fund for something awesome. The trustees will be thinking about what we would like to use it on – maybe a dedicated space downstairs, new couches/chairs, etc. Will keep them informed and a part of the planning process.

Other Business/Member Concerns:

- Dental Insurance: Town employees will all need to “buy” into the dental insurance for the town to add it. The trustees reviewed the document Lisa gave Josh and agreed that if Josh wanted the insurance the board would consider the request.

Executive Session (if needed): none

Adjourned at 6:58pm.

Submitted by Lissy Bachelder.

Our next meeting will be July 10, 2025, at 6pm in the library.