THAYER MEMORIAL LIBRARY

TRUSTEES MEETING

April 13, 2022

ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order via Zoom at 6:36 p.m.

Present were:

Emily Rose, Chair

Frank MacGrory, Vice-Chair

Frank Streeter, Secretary

Ann Frantz, Trustee

Anne Ogilvie, Trustee

David Spanagel, Trustee

Library Director Joe Mulé, ex officio

Assistant Director Rachel Rosengard, Recorder

MINUTES [March]

Chair Rose moved to amend the March 9, 2022, minutes with her clarifying comments sent via a Word document; Trustee Ogilvie seconded.

Vote to amend the March minutes:

Vice-Chair MacGrory: Yea

Secretary Streeter: Nay

Trustee Ogilvie: Yea

Trustee Frantz: Yea

Trustee Spanagel: Yea

Chair Rose: Yea

Trustee Spanagel made a motion to accept the March 9, 2022, minutes with a new sentence in the second to last paragraph of Chair Rose's amendment; Trustee MacGrory seconded. Vote on the minutes from March as amended:

Vice-Chair MacGrory: Yea

Trustee Spanagel: Yea

Trustee Ogilvie: Yea

Trustee Frantz: Yea

Chair Rose: Yea

Secretary Streeter: Abstain

The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be held on May 11, 2022.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Chair Rose thanked Trustee Ogilvie for her service to the Board, as this was her final meeting.

Chair Rose shared that State Aid has increased.

Chair Rose emphasized that the Board must focus on the Feasibility Study progress, and that by combining building projects, the Library can more efficiently use any funds provided.

Trustee Spanagel exited the meeting at 7:03.

SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Building Committee

Some State Aid may be used for Children's Room window renovation depending on the cost and the results of fundraising. Spencer Preservation Group will perform the renovation, which could begin before the end of the fiscal year.

The Library is updating 12 exit signs to bring them into compliance with building codes.

The Library passed its dry pipe (sprinkler) inspection.

Director Mulé requested the addition of another committee focused on specific building projects, separate from the Building Committee.

Fundraising

Fundraising for the Children's Room windows is on hold until after the Annual Town Meeting.

Library Giving Day was April 6. An event organized by FTML focused on the Friends giving back to the community and Library staff.

Planning

No meeting dates for Staff and Board members proposed by Trustee Ogilvie will work, and she feels it would be best to delay another month or two before beginning work with Barbara Friedman. Strategic Plan goals will be focused on building improvements and will focus on a shorter time frame than usual, perhaps two years.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Mulé drew attention to his attendance at the ALA national convention in June, which will be funded by State aid.

Secretary Streeter moved that the Board support Director Mulé's professional development and cover expenses for this trip not funded by State aid. Vice-Chair MacGrory seconded the motion, and it was brought to a vote which was unanimously approved.

Director Mulé purchased disaster supplies with State aid.

NEW BUSINESS

Trustee Ogilvie inquired if the Library's Museum holds any Native American artifacts; and if so, how were they obtained.

ACTION ITEMS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Secretary Streeter moved to adjourn, and Trustee MacGrory seconded the unanimously approved motion. Board adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Frank Streeter

Secretary

Assistant Director Rachel Rosengard

Recorder