

Board of Trustees Meeting

March 13, 2025

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Susan Brofman at 6:05 with Greg, Diane, Tom, Celeste, Rosy, Stephanie and Lois present.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of the February meeting. The Treasurer's report was made and a motion was made and seconded to approve the report.

Director's Report:

A young woman came in and gave her resume saying she is a MLS student and is moving to Otis soon.

We would like to have a program that tells people what and how to use the Libby app. We have the Book Club: The Mighty Red March 20 and the Cookbook Club March 21. Lara Tupper writing class July 17 4:30 - 6:00, Tom Ragusa and Peter Cameron TBA, and Marc-Antony Arena is scheduled for June 5.

We will be putting in an AARP grant application which would give us money for Hot Spots and other technical things.

Everyone should look at the Randall Library in Stow MA, website.

Wowbrary will start in early April. Steve Barry from the Building Committee will be providing a bulleted update, comment, or quote, on Fridays to be included in the email.

The Town Selectboard asked for a budget with projections beyond the time when we have a new library. We had also asked for an additional \$2000 beyond the 2.5% requirement and Sue was told they will see if there is any money left over for us.

The Annual Appeal is still bringing in money.

Stephanie read an excerpt from Kathi Casey's contribution for the I Love My Library campaign.

A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the Director's Report.

Friend of Otis Library Report:

The Book Sale will take place on May 3, from 9am to 3pm at Otis Ridge. They will be setting up the week before and Arlene Tolopko will be doing a press release.

Old Business:

Building Committee:

The committee to find an OPM will be interviewing the two companies on Tuesday, and select one to bring to the Building Committee.

Sue says the Berkshire Regional Technology money will come to the library sometime in April.

Another grant being worked on is the T Mobile Grant for operations.

Stephanie's friend is working on a new logo and a brochure for the library.

The next meeting is April 10, 2025 at 6:00.

The meeting adjourned at 7:02.

Respectfully Submitted

Lois A Hall