

**Exeter Public Library  
Trustees Meeting  
November 19, 2019**

**1. Call to Order:** 6:00 pm. Barbara opened the meeting with a roll call.

**A. Roll Call:** Hope Godino, Susan Drinker, Denise Leonard, Lisa Wilson, Laura Wyskiel Stephanie Canty, Barbara Young, Mary LaFreniere

**2. Correspondence:** None

**3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting:** The minutes of the October 2019 meeting were accepted unanimously.

**4. Reports**

**B. Director's Report:** Shoreland Permit Good. Hope explained that conversation tables very fun experience. Chess very popular, adult fall reading also very popular.

**C. Operating Statement:**

- a. Public services - all balances out, total still at 80%, overspending not a real issue as the bottom line was maintained.
- b. Professional- architects and engineers.
- c. Programs- more programs than ever, very popular, has been huge. Museum Passes went up in price with new passes added. Aquarium not 50% in summer.

**D. Building & Grounds & Technology:**

- Renovation meeting sending out for bids, present on the 19<sup>th</sup> of December. Still in the middle of packing books, meeting room filled with books. Press release in the paper will be placed as things change, inviting public to look at the plans again.

**E. Finance & Fundraising:**

- Annual Appeal \$3,320.00 already

**F. Long Range Plan:**

- Building.

**G. Personnel and Policy:**

- Material and Program Selection policy changing to "Collection Development". Cross out the word "program" every time it comes up. Catalogs- various ones to order from, unbiased reviews are very important as are good review. Current Catalogs, Kirkus, Horn Book. Booklist, Library Journal, New and Noteworthy Titles in New York Times Book Reviews. Barbara shared story about "who's on first" as an example of # 4 . Sample reconsideration form passed around and reviewed. Hope stated you want the person who is objecting to the book to feel heard. #8 explained why books are removed from collection; damage (smells bad, water damage, out of date and adult fiction not read in 5 years.

**H. Social:**

- Nothing to Report

**I. Friends:**

- Amazon smile, \$100 match donation to encourage people to donate money for books. December- Hannaford bags \$1 each goes to library. Table at Farmer's market, will help with book moving

**5. Continuing Business:**

- Nothing to Report

- 6. New Business:** Thursday December 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 bids will be presented. Bauen's Greg Smith will review and present the ones he recommends to use.
- 7. Closed session if necessary:** None
- 8. Public comment:** None.
- 9. Adjourn:** The meeting was adjourned at 6:41 pm. Next meeting will be held on January 7th, 2020 at 6pm in Exeter Public Library, room TBA.

Respectfully submitted,

**Julia Lanter**