



Whitingham Free Public Library
P.O. Box 500
Jacksonville, VT 05342

**Board of Trustees meeting minutes – Approved 5-4-22
April 6, 2022**

In attendance: Catherine Bell, Maryanne Chevrolls, Kristen Breeden, Adam Ranslow, Edie Brigham, Tanya Bernard, and Kristine Sweeter.

Public: M.A. Jonson

Call to order at 5:07 pm

Minutes: Kristen made a motion to accept the minutes as written, Adam seconded. All were in favor.

Executive Session: Catherine made a motion at 5:11pm to go into executive session to discuss employee business, Kristen seconded. All were in favor. At 5:44pm Kristen made a motion to end executive session, Maryanne seconded. All were in favor.

Public Comments: No public comments

Directors Report: Yoga has started back up, through June and the class is full with 12 people. There is availability for the second session. The yoga class is free, donations are appreciated. Sat June 4th is the plant swap. Blueberry festival Has been approved by the select board and is on Friday July 29th. The money for the band will be covered by the economic development group and the church will be throwing their annual spaghetti dinner at the municipal center the same night.

New Business: The ARPA library grant has officially been used to purchase 3 office chairs, two sets of tables and chairs. The library also purchased a small portable dvd player for car rides and also a small boom box, both of which can be checked out. The Library will be applying for another ARPA Grant, round two, for \$3500. One of the things that this grant would be used for is a baby changing station. The second item so far, possibly a table and chairs for small children. The summer reading grant was awarded at \$300. The Library has also applied for the Cliff Rural Library Grant with the Halifax school. This grant would give the library \$2000 worth of new books and the school will get \$500 of books and 4 story telling presentation at the elementary school. There will be brand new books for all participating children through grade 6, plus a mini grant option to support a special initiative in the library.

Old Business: Trustee training postponed until next month.

Adam made a motion to adjourn, Tanya seconded. All were in favor.

Director's Report

Kristine Sweeter

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Programming:

Story Hour Saturdays / Rhyme Time Mondays

Special Easter Rhyme Time Tea Party 11th

Adult Craft Group

Pin Pong is temp cancelled due to covid

Monday Yoga class - full

April 25th Author Event

[A Deep Presence: 13,000 Years of Native American History: Pathway Book Service Cart](#)

By Robert G. Goodby 160 Pages, Paperback Release Date: October 11,2021 Almost 13,000 years ago, small groups of Paleoindians endured frigid winters on the edge of a river in what would become Keene, New Hampshire.

May 5 Ayurveda Kitcherie Class

Blueberry Festival Friday July 29th

❖ Grants:

ARPA Grant #1

-Summer Reading Grant Due March 14th (\$200) Completed!

-Afterschool Grant \$30,000

-Cliff Rural Libraries Grant with Halifax School

❖ Fundraising:

2022-2023 Annual Appeal

Plant Swap June 4

Account balance: \$33, 057

-2021-2022 Total fundraising \$\$6,473

❖ -Staff

Kristine & Gina Summer Reading – remote March 8 & 10

Gina resignation

❖ 2022 Partnerships

Brattleboro Area Hospice ACP

So. VT Natural History Museum / snow shoes

211/ United Way

Wings Community Programs