



Board of Trustees  
Georgetown Peabody Library  
2 Maple Street  
Georgetown, MA 01833

**MINUTES OF THE GEORGETOWN PEABODY LIBRARY TRUSTEE MEETING**

**Monday, February 24, 2025**

**Present:** Aimee Hamelin, Sue Clay, Kevin Moran, Sue Clohecy, Erin Wormell, and Library Director Sarah Cognata

**Absent:** Megan Lichy

**Call to Order:** Meeting called to order at 7:01 PM.

**Old Business:**

**Minutes:**

- Sue Clohecy makes motion to accept January 27, 2025 meeting minutes as submitted. Erin Wormell seconds. Unanimously approved.

**FY26 Budget:**

- No update except that there may be a budget hearing scheduled for Saturday, March 8<sup>th</sup>

**Director's Report:**

**Minute Madness:**

- Starting on March 1st, libraries are competing in a competition called "Minute Madness" where patrons can log their reading time via Beanstack or with paper logs. Many forms of reading count: books, audiobooks, graphic novels, newspapers, magazines. In 2022, our library won! Paper logs are available at the Circulation Desk and Children's Desk.

**Seed Library:**

- The 2025 Seed Library starts on Monday, March 3rd. An Ecological Gardening Basics program with Cheryl Rafuse of Plant Magic Gardens will also be held that evening.
- Seeds have been donated from Nunan Florist & Greenhouses in Georgetown and High Mowing Organic Seeds in Vermont.
- Differing from last year, staff will not break up the seeds into envelopes but offer them as donated to keep the dates on the packages current and require less intervention from staff. This change will be monitored and shifted again if necessary.

**Maintenance:**

- The elevator phone line was fixed by Verizon on 2/5/2025 and the Otis Elevator technician conducted their check on 2/11/25.

**FY25 Budget:**

- Book ordering should be finalized before the end of May. State aid funds were used for snow removal as necessary. Staff time off as expected.

Sue Clohecy makes a motion to accept the Director's Report. Kevin Moran seconds the motion. Unanimously approved.

## **New Business:**

### **Charitable Entity Discussion:**

- Estate of Sarah H. Bean documentation arrived and lists that  $\frac{1}{3}$  of her estate will come to the library. We should only have to contact an attorney if we object to the petition. Funds will probably go to the Peabody Fund or Memorial Gifts Fund once the amount is known. Sarah has contacted Town Hall about this already.

## **Monthly Reports:**

### **Friends Report:**

- Book sale is upcoming. More tables were purchased and acquired. Books in Bloom planning is still underway. Sarah spoke to them about the budget override and the need to champion the services who would be affected and they were willing.

### **Bills/Payroll Report:**

- All is well for FY2025 with respect to acquisitions and payroll.

**Adjournment:** Sue Clohecy makes a motion to adjourn. Aimee Hamelin seconds the motion. Unanimously approved. Adjournment at 7:16 PM.

Prepared by Aimee Hamelin on February 24, 2025

Next Meeting: March 24, 2025 at 7:00 PM.