Haverhill Public Library

Board of Trustees

Minutes of June 26, 2025

The regular monthly meeting of the Trustees of the Haverhill Public Library was called to order at 9:30 a.m. on Thursday, June 26, 2025 in the Whittier Conference Room. In attendance were Trustees Bresnahan, Coletti, Kimball, Sheehan. Also in attendance was Director, Sarah Moser and Assistant Director, Jane Lemuth.

Secretary's Report

The trustees were given copies of the minutes dated May 15, 2025. After perusing the minutes, a motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes. The minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report

Josh presented the financial highlights for May:

- The endowments continued to grow.
- Received a \$25,000 anonymous donation for the building.
- Received a \$10,000 donation from Judith Noyes estate. Half is for the building renovation and half is for the Reader's Fund.
- Received \$70,000 in unrestricted gifts this fiscal year and budgeted for \$70,000.
- Expenses are in line with the end of FY25.

Cecily Craighill Davis Update 9:40 – 10:20 a.m.

Cecily and Trustee Bresnahan attended many social events to meet potential candidates and donors. Cecily updated the trustees on the campaign committee and discussed acceptances, declinations and those pending. She also discussed foundations and corporate prospects. She brought ideas on how to recognize Olive MacDougall in the building renovations including naming spaces like the auditorium or outside entrance after her.

Jessica Kallin, Haverhill Promise Update 11:00

Jessica updated the trustees on the future of Haverhill Promise and items she has been working on, such as the Upstart kindergarten readiness program, book buddies, stocking the little free libraries with a donation from Golden Books and Cedar's, summer tutoring programs, prints installed at Pentucket Medical for sale. She discussed the need for funding for an Upstart full year program, for the continuation of book buddies, and a shift from Catapult to one-on-one tutoring at Tilton School. Lastly, she discussed the need for a full-time person to continue these programs and asked for advice on finding a new director of Haverhill Promise. After Sarah talks with John Maddox and Andy Vargas, the trustees may vote on committing \$15,000 for two years for programming.

New Business

The trustees voted on spending \$88,000 to purchase insurance for the building project that will cover \$3 million for 8 years. All were in favor.

There being no further business to discuss, a motion was made and seconded to adjourn. The meeting ended at 11:30 a.m.

Sincerely,

Kathleen Bresnahan