Board of Library Trustees
Minutes
Friday, April 15, 2022
3:30PM
TRURO PUBLIC LIBRARY

Attending: Martha Magane, Mary Abt (virtual), Keith Althaus, Kait Blehm, Jen Thompson, Tricia Ford - E.D. Absent: Meg Royka

• Called to order 3:40PM
• Approve April 2022 minutes - Mary Abt
  - Approved with date corrections. Moved Keith Althaus seconded by Kait Blehm.
• FOTL report- Jen Thompson
  - FOTL did not meet last month will have a report in May.
  - Book Sale will happen 2nd week of August, 2022.
  - Suggestions
    - book donations/ drop off, could happen on the same day as the book sale to make it easier.
    - Possibly move the sale to Fall 2022 Truro Treasures weekend.
• Director’s Report - Tricia Ford, hard copy attached
  - The staff development workshop led by Carey Davidson was a successful project.
  - Seafood program had about 30 participants. Looking forward to hosting the event again in 2023.
  - Warming Station update
  - Summer Concerts Committee - isn a ad hoc town committee with a 26 year history. This is Pat Wheeler’s last year as chair. She approached Tricia about having alternatives for running the series in the future. Hosting the series could be a nice compliment to the Winter Music Series.
  - Summer Events possibilities: Walking Cemetery Tours, Authors series, collaboration with Friends Of the Meetinghouse. David Korn, Nina Totenberg, Don Winslow.
  - Staff stepping up and taking on extra duties.
  - No movement on finding a replacement for outreach coordinator position. Earliest date, at this point in time, is to hire an Outreach Coordinator by July 1, 2022.
  - 4/27, 2022, 2pm - hybrid meeting. Reading Book Group Lincoln on The Verge: 13 days to Washington by Ted Widner
  - Summer 2022 - Library will be open until 8pm on Tuesdays, and Thursdays. Wednesday open until 6pm.
• Long Range Plan Kate Blehm
  - A meeting will be held Saturday April 16, 2022 at 10am. Annette Cyr, Kathy Rosenkampf, Kaitlyn Russell, Nola Glatzel, Maggie Hanelt, Martha Magane.
  - There is a town report with data the library may use for addresses and email.
  - Current Mission Statement -
    - “To engage our community in literature, in learning, and in the transformative power of information.”
  - Vision Statement - a conversation is needed about developing a new vision statement

- Library Trustees and the Town Charter
  - A goal for the Library Trustees - to get the library separated from other town departments. The MA State Law vs Truro Town Charter. Town Charter supersedes MA State Law.
  - In 2022 Martha would like to develop a goal to have the Town charter reflect more closely the Mass General Law for Library Trustees. (ie…the Library Trustees do the hiring of the Library Director…)
  - Martha Magane will do some research. Kate Blehm is willing to reach out to other select board members.

• Any other business that may legally come before the committee for discussion at next meeting.
  - Keith would like to see more art and develop art space in and about Truro

Adjourned: 4:50pm motion by Kate B., seconded by Keith A.

  - Next meeting, Friday, 05/20/2022
  - FOTL meeting, Monday, 05/02/2022?? Depends on Anne’s return.
  - Annual Town Meeting - Saturday 4/30/2022

Mary Abt