

Town of Granby
Granby Library Board Meeting
Minutes
June 12, 2023

Members present: Judy Guarco, Chairman, Robert Donna, Vice-Chairperson, Kristal Fiorentino, Sandra Fischer, Pam Jones, Hillary Peterson, Ellen Thomson, Catherine Watso, Paul Willis

Staff: Amber Wyzik, Director of Library Services

Call to order: A quorum was present, and Chairman Guarco called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Review of Agenda: No changes.

Review and Approval of Minutes:

On a motion by P. Willis, seconded by E. Thomson, the Board voted (8-0-1) to approve the minutes of May 8, 2023.

Public Comment: There was no public comment.

Library Director's Report:

General

Summer Reading for all ages kicks off this Wednesday, June 14th, with a concert at the Main Branch featuring the KC Sisters! Friends will be providing Italian Ice and Stop and Shop donated cookies. Families are invited to bring a picnic dinner, dance and play yard games.

Policy Review

Community Volunteer Application approval
Policy for review- **Library of Things**

Grants Update

The TM requested an updated estimate for cost of Cossitt Restoration project connected with the Pomeroy Brace grant. The updated estimate came in just over expected cost. At the July BOS meeting we will be requesting the acceptance of the grant and an additional funding of \$13,000 from the Town. Friends will be contributing \$4,413.00.

Grant submission to NAEG for an outdoor Locker Pick Up kiosk. Awaiting results.

Building & Grounds

As always, a continued need for space is on our radar.

DPW will be installing a tent in the Main Library's side yard for summer programming, provided by GPS.

Stats

| | <i>May 2022</i> | <i>April 2023</i> | May 2023 |
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| <i>Programming</i> | <i>11 programs 256 attendees</i> | <i>18 programs 290 attendees</i> | 19 programs 171 attendees |
| <i>Circulation/Collection</i> | <i>5,588 items</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Physical- 3,898</i> • <i>Digital- 1,690</i> • <i>*Cossitt- 135</i> | <i>6,108 items</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Physical- 4,146</i> • <i>Digital- 1,962</i> • <i>*Cossitt- 102</i> | 6,616 items <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Physical- 4,503 • Digital- 2,113 • *Cossitt-227 |
| <i>Wifi</i> | <i>579 wifi sessions 179 unique visitors</i> | <i>696 Wifi Sessions 228 unique visitors</i> | 746 Wifi Sessions 262 unique visitors |

Liaisons Reports:

FOGPL – Chairman Guarco reported the Friends will begin collecting items for their annual book sale June 26, 2023, at Holcomb Farms.

GLA – No updates.

Old Business:

Homebound Delivery via library staff is anticipated to begin September 2023. Library staff will receive a stipend from the Friends of the Granby Public Libraries, Inc., for their time and mileage.

Copies of The Library of Things Circulation and Collection Development Policy were given to board members. The policy will be discussed at the Monday, July 10, 2023, meeting.

An updated estimate of the GPL ARPA Projects was given to board members.

New Business: The proposed Community Volunteer Application and Handbook was reviewed, and a revised draft will be sent to board members to be discussed and voted upon at the Monday, July 10, 2023, meeting.

A. Wyzk, Director of Library Services, proposed contacting the CT State Library Division of Library Development to assist the GLB with strategic planning for GPL. There is no cost for the service. On a motion by C. Watso, seconded by S. Fischer the Board approved 8-0-0 to contact the CT State Library Division of Library Development.

A. Wyzk, Director of Library Services, proposed that the GLB join the ACLB, Association of Connecticut Library Boards. The ACLB advocates on behalf of CT public libraries and offers useful resources to library boards. There is a one-year membership cost. On a motion by P. Willis, seconded by C. Watso the Board approved 8-0-0 to join the ACLB for one year.

A September volunteer thank you event is being planned.

Next Meeting:

The next meeting of the Granby Library Board will be Monday, July 10, 2023, at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom.

Adjournment: On a motion by P. Willis seconded by K. Fiorentino, the Board voted 8/0/0 to adjourn the meeting at 8:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Rhonda Gilbert