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**Board of Library Trustees Minutes  
January 20, 2026  
Library Banda Room 7 pm**

**In attendance**

Present: Dan Hall, James Lemay, Eileen MacDougall, Don Pearson, Megan Coslick, Library Director Nathalie Harty, Administrative Assistants Gloria Corcoran and Britney Chin. Absent: Jeff Nussbaum

Call to Order: Jim Lemay called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm

**Approval of Minutes November 18, 2025**

Motion was made by Megan to accept the minutes of November as amended, second Megan, Dan Hall abstained. Motion passed.

**Public Comments**

Alexandra Pina, resident of Haverhill, spoke.

She appreciates our library and staff. This patron voiced concerns with public internet privacy.

**Approval of Financial and Statistical Reports from December 2025**

Motion made by Don Pearson, seconded by Dan Hall. Motion passed.

Jim Lemay asked if the library was on track to spend the required percentage for books and materials for the state aid.

**Director's Report**

Nathalie and other town department heads took a tour of the new town hall prior to opening. The painting of Stewart Room is now complete, along with replacing light fixtures.

The Friends of the Library annual appeal has raised over \$9000. This money is earmarked for the privacy booth (approximate cost is \$7000). Brad will price out laptop, webcam, headphones that will be available to use in the booth. Delivery should 4-6 weeks.

Next month, Nathalie will propose an updated Meeting Room Policy to include the privacy booth.

The Little Free Pantry is ongoing.

The library has purchased a portable digital projector to use for programs. Adult Services Circulation Librarian Lisa Crispin has a cross-stitch program that has proved to be very popular. She will do this program quarterly. The library held a Fleece Fest coat drive, which was very successful.

Nathalie was awarded a \$2,500 conference scholarship to attend the 2026 Public Library Association conference in Minneapolis in April. The Assistant Children's Librarian Michelle Carley was awarded a \$1,000 conference scholarship to attend the 2026 MA Library Association conference in Danvers in May. Sara Rottger will attend the American Library Association conference in Chicago in June.

Michelle Eberle, a consultant from the MA Library System presented a program on De-escalation Basics for Libraries at the December staff meeting.

The library has started a partnership with the police department and their town social worker, Samantha Cavanaugh. She is offering weekly drop ins for the morning twice a month and in the evenings twice a month. She can guide people to the next step for assistance.

The library has started a small world language collection with the Boston Public Library. This includes French, Portuguese, Spanish and Chinese. Every 90 days we get a collection of language books and then after that time we send back that collection and we get another.

Our new French conversation group starts the last week of January.

Jane Austen programs in December and the raffle basket were a huge success.

Nathalie will meet with the Finance Committee on Saturday, January 31<sup>st</sup> to present the FY27 budget.

#### Old Business

There was no old business.

#### New Business

The FY27 Budget proposal was submitted. There will be a meeting with the Finance Committee on Saturday, January 31.

The biggest change was the MVLC Assessment with an increase of about \$8000. There is a proposal of a 2.75% increase for part time library staff, who have not had an increase in 3 years. There is a proposed 14.5% expenditure for the books and materials budget. There is a proposal for reclassification of the Circulation Librarian.

#### The closing of Baker & Taylor

This was one of the biggest book vendors who has now closed. They also were the platform for the State Aid and ARIS reporting. We are using Ingram and Midwest Tapes to fill our library needs.

#### Director's Self evaluation

Jim will send the forms to the Trustees and will get anonymous input from some staff. A survey will be set up for inputting the evaluations. This will include a deadline for submission.

#### Trustees Comments

Eileen MacDougall is interested in the library showing more movies. She recently viewed *The Librarians* and *Rebels with a Cause*.

Megan will not be at the February meeting. She is trying to use Libby for her audio books and movies, instead of Hoopla. The library should try to advertise Libby more to patrons.

Nathalie will ask MVLC to see if they could get group pricing for Hoopla.

The library can ask the Marketing team to promote *Palace*, a BPL application for ebooks and audio books.

There was a dispute between the library, friends of the library and the trustees at the Middleboro library. Friends changed their bylaws after a parking lot was donated to the friends.

Jane Austen bingo was great!

Who pays for insurance at bookstore or during a jewelry sale? Nathalie will ask the Town Manager's assistant Beverly Dalton about the insurance for the bookstore, jewelry sale, etc.

Friends board is looking for a Trustee liaison, to attend the Friends meeting. (Megan Coslick is interested).

Stoneham is not on the list of certified libraries by MBLC. They may be on the waiver list. Nathalie will keep Trustees up to date if there are any decertified libraries.

Motion to adjourn was made by Eileen MacDougall, seconded by Jim Lemay at 8:36 pm.

Annual Friends meeting is March 19, Thursday, at 7 pm, 6:30 pm refreshments.

Next Meeting: February 17, 2026, 7 pm

Submitted by

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