

Joseph H. Plumb Memorial Library

Meeting Minutes for August 4, 2022

Attendance: Kelley Medeiros (co-chair), Rhonda Reints (co-chair), Kathy Besch (Treasurer), Shauna Makuch (Secretary), Kim Burt, Mike King.

Guests: Kelly Gagliardi, Alison Noyce, Lisa Fuller

Meeting called to order: 6:10

Next Meeting: September 8, 2022 at 6:30

New Director, Jennifer Woodward, has resigned effective August 5, 2022. Jennifer did the ARIS report and it was submitted.

- Guests were curious as to why the director resigned and spoke about why they love the library. The patrons shared why they didn't feel the new director was right for the town and what they would like to see in future candidates. They were offered patrons roles to participate in the new hiring subcommittee.

Future of the Library

- Staff should be given a formal statement regarding resignation for the public.
- A new hiring sub committee will be formed.
- Guests would like to see new downstairs space utilized for more adult programs, Authors meet and greets and community town halls for Tri-Town against Racism.

Future meeting minutes need to include the Director's Highlights.

Trustees should be doing a yearly self evaluation according to the MBLC, targeting Sept 8th meeting. All trustees should review the handbook on the MBLC website.

Employee schedule covered till the end of the month.

Miss Lisa will need to be at Captain Bonney's on August 13 for the end of Summer Reading party. Vote to close library at 12:00pm due to staff shortage motioned by Mike and seconded by Kathy; Approved

Vote to close all day on September 3, 2022 due to staff shortage motioned by Mike and seconded by Kim; Approved

A proposal to vote on providing direction to the staff on ending working from home and schedule changes was made to be voted on at the next trustee meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 motioned by Shauna seconded by Kathy

Submitted by Shauna Makuch