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Library Board of Trustees  
Edgartown Public Library  
26 West Tisbury Road, Edgartown, MA  
**MINUTES**

Meeting of Thursday, April 14, 2022

In the Herbert L. Foster Room of the library

**Meeting called to order by Justine DeOliviera:** 3:08 PM

**Trustees in attendance:** Olga Church, Justine DeOliviera, David Faber, Nis Kildegaard, Denise Searle

**Absences:** Julie Lively

**Guests:** Lisa Sherman, Library Director

**Review of Minutes:**

**MOTION:** To accept the minutes of the March 10, 2022 meeting.

**MOTION:** David Faber, **SECOND:** Denise Searle

**ACTION:** Unanimous

**Friends Report:** The minutes of the recent Friends meeting were reviewed by the Trustees. The Friends held their second open house program on March 19 – and plan another drop-in coffee hour from 10 to 11 a.m. at the library on Saturday, March 16. The group has set a date of Thursday, June 23, at 10 a.m. in the Program Room for the Friends’ annual meeting.

**Director’s Report:** Lisa Sherman, Library Director

- Lisa reviewed the status of the budget, which is on track with two and a half months remaining in this fiscal year.
- Lisa shared a report on foot traffic into the library, which in March was slightly more than half the pre-pandemic numbers, and still steadily growing back as live programs resume.
- Lisa said that Emily Gray Becker is now in place as the library’s new program coordinator, and is already coming up with creative ideas for programs that will reach into new sectors of the community.
- Lisa said that although challenges to materials in libraries and schools are rising across the country, Edgartown hasn’t seen any activity of this sort. She’s reviewing the library’s current acquisition policy to see if it needs any strengthening or clarification.
- Lisa said a date of Saturday, June 21 at 3 p.m. has been set for a brief ceremony unveiling a plaque and dedicating the board room as the Herbert L. Foster Room.

- Building updates: Final work on the water bottle filling station was being done downstairs as the Trustees gathered to meet. Lisa is in conversation with plumber Scott Ellis about the seepage of water into the basement, and the part needed for the interior door lock has been ordered.

**Library Landscaping Committee Report:**

- Lisa reported that as the Trustees agreed last month, Holmes & McGrath has been hired to complete a detailed survey of the library property, and will begin its work soon.

**Fundraising/Gifts Received:**

- **MOTION:** To accept \$1,000 from the Friends  
**MOTION:** Denise Searle, **SECOND:** Olga Church  
**ACTION:** Unanimous
- **MOTION:** To accept state library aid in the amount of \$4,127.89  
**MOTION:** Nis Kildegaard, **SECOND:** David Faber  
**ACTION:** Unanimous

**New Business:**

Nis Kildegaard presented information on an estimate of \$21,370.45 provided by Ernie Iannaccone of High Output, a Canton-based firm specializing in stage lighting equipment, for a professional lighting system that could be used both in the Program Room and on the lawn for events such as the Sounds Like Summer concert series. Lisa said she will research what sort of procurement issues apply here, and will come back to the Trustees with information next month.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 p.m.

**Next meeting date:** Thursday, May 12, 2022 – in person at the library

*Respectfully submitted,  
Nis Kildegaard, secretary*