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

Meeting of Thursday, April 11, 2024

In the Foster Room

**Olga Church** called the meeting to order at 3:40 p.m.

**Trustees in attendance:** Olga Church, Nis Kildegaard, Maggie Morrison, Denise Searle, David Faber

**Absences:** Julie Lively

**Guests:** Lisa Sherman, Library Director

**Review of Minutes:**

**MOTION:** to approve the February meeting minutes as written.

**MOTION:** David Faber, **SECOND:** Denise Searle. **ACTION:** All in favor, excepting Maggie Morrison, who had not attended in February, abstaining.

**Friends Report:** Lisa Sherman, who had attended the recent Friends meeting, reported briefly in the absence of a Friends representative. She said the Friends' recent "Dine to Donate" event at Rockfish Restaurant was a great success, and that the restaurant had rounded up the donation to the Friends to an even \$1,000. She reported that David Ignacio has agreed to step up into the role of treasurer for the library's essential support organization, but that a candidate to succeed him as president has not yet been found.

**Director's Report:** Lisa Sherman

- Lisa shared statistics on foot traffic into the library in March, which came to 6,700 – nearly matching the pre-pandemic numbers from 2019.
- Lisa said due to extensive HVAC expenses this year she now expects building maintenance and repair costs to exceed the amount of funds allocated in the fiscal year now underway – but that there will likely be enough to make a transfer at year-end.
- Lisa said the library staff's trip to Ohio (in the first week of April) for the conference of the Public Library Association was inspirational, a powerful experience both in terms of learning for the staff and in terms of team-building. The board thanked Lisa for her initiative and leadership in making this trip happen.

- Lisa reported that she had arranged for a thorough cleaning of floors and carpets in the library during the recent closure for the PLA trip, and she expressed herself satisfied with the cleaning work done.

**Fundraising/Gifts Received:**

**MOTION:** To accept March and April gifts totaling \$3,000 from the Friends of the Library, as well as a contribution of \$600 from the Friends specifically for the Children's Room.

**MOTION:** Nis Kildegaard, **SECOND:** Olga Church. **ACTION:** Unanimous

**MOTION:** To accept a gift of \$10,000 from the Young family to be placed in Account 3343, the Young Landscape fund.

**MOTION:** Denise Searle, **SECOND:** Maggie Morrison: Unanimous.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

**Next meeting date:** Thursday, May 9, 2024 – in person at the library, beginning at 3:30 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Nis Kildegaard, secretary*