**Griswold Memorial Library Board of Trustees**

**Meeting Minutes**

**October 17, 2022 6pm by Zoom**

1. **Opening**
   1. Meeting called to order at 6:02 pm

Roll call

Trustees: Nancy, Betty, Cheli, Betsy, Jill

Staff: Chelsea

* 1. Land acknowledgement
  2. Team agreements

1. **Approval of meeting agenda**

Betty moved we approve the agenda as written. Betsy seconded. Agenda approved.

1. **Approval of previous meeting minutes**

Approval of minutes tabled until next month.

1. **Reports**
   1. **Director’s Report**

DR points of note: the library needs to figure out a snow removal plan for

the season as safe access to the building is a priority; Fix-It Day was amazing with 112 people attending and 35 volunteers; Marty and Betsy have been reorganizing basement supplies; Dominique is creating original content for GML on social media; Conway School of Landscape Design picked up the library landscaping project; outreach at the transfer station wrapped up; town Halloween events to include a concert with Mr. Dave and community pumpkin carving at Pine Hill, decorated spooky bridge to visit, and literary tips and treats at the library; GML submitted LCC grant for event funding.

Betty moved we accept the September Director’s Report as presented; Betsy seconded. September Director’s Report accepted. October report slated for next month.

* 1. **Treasurer’s Report**

Betty figured out some discrepancies, however the budget was not

balanced with the previous fiscal year. A vote on the Treasurer’s Report will be tabled until next month to allow time to balance the numbers.

1. **Ongoing Business**
   1. **Fix-It Day Committee update**

Fix-It day was a huge success and cooperative group effort. Dozens of

repairs were made, including a pair of socks in need of darning that were mailed to the library because that person couldn’t make it to the event.

* 1. **Governance Committee Update**

Governance has been reviewing the holiday schedule, and presented a

working list which was then discussed among the Trustees and Library Director.

It was agreed that recognizing Juneteenth is important, and though the town has

not yet made it a paid holiday, the GML will close in honor of the day and budget for pay for the Library Director. The Trustees will also write a letter to the Select Board asking for Juneteenth to be added to the town holiday schedule.

(Marty arrived at 7:02 pm)

Betty made a motion that the Trustees declare Juneteenth a library holiday

and budget for Library Director’s pay, as well as write a letter to the Select Board requesting their attention in making Juneteenth a town holiday. Betsy seconded. Motion approved.

Betsy and Cheli will put together a letter to the Select Board. Governance Committee will finalize a list of holidays.

* 1. **Building and grounds**

A painting of Colrain has been offered to the GML as a part of an estate bequeathal; Trustees will view it before making a decision. No update on tree trimming. Cheli gave an update on powerwashing.

(Betty left at 7:26 pm)

1. **Retrospective**
2. **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 7:36 pm.

Next meeting scheduled for Monday, November 21, at 6 pm via Zoom.

*Respectfully submitted by Cheli Mennella*