

# Griswold Memorial Library Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

Date: 11/10/2025

## 1. Opening

- a. Meeting called to order at 6:02 pm  
Online via Zoom  
Roll Call:
  - i. Dago Lydgate-Driggs, Co-Chair
  - ii. Cheli Mennella, Co-Chair
  - iii. Mikaela Whitaker, Secretary
  - iv. Betty Johnson, Treasurer
  - v. Nancy Turkle, Member at Large (not present)
  - vi. Hadley Looman, Member at LargeRegrets: Nancy Turkle  
In Attendance via Zoom: Trustees, Ellen Weeks
- b. Land Acknowledgement
- c. Team Agreements

## 2. Approval of Agenda

- a. Motion by Betty to approve agenda as written.
- b. Motion seconded by Hadley.
- c. Approved unanimously by roll call vote.

## 3. Approval of Last Months' Minutes

- a. Betty moves that we accept the minutes for the Director Search Prescreening Committee meetings and October 2025 meeting as written except for one amendment to the October minutes that motion to adjourn was made by Mikaela Whitaker.
- b. Cheli seconds.
- c. Approved unanimously by roll call vote.

## 4. Reports

- a. Director's report: some highlights—nice turnout at the meet and greet for Val. Sign is almost done. Some changes to how the sump pump is set up to help prevent further flooding. Judith Roberts will host a Colrain Community Meeting at GML on 11/17, in person and by Zoom. This will be an opportunity to join with friends and neighbors to discuss topics of interest including the Wood Bank, Colrain Food for All (supported by the Western MA Food Bank) and any ideas people may have to share on how we can support our community and each other during these times. There are several programs coming up in December. Betty moves that we accept the Director's report as written and presented. Hadley seconds. Accepted unanimously by roll call vote.

- b. Treasurer's report: Betty has been able to balance the accounts through almost the end of October. Cheli moves that we accept the Treasurer's Report. Mikaela seconds. Approved unanimously by roll call vote.
- c. Cornerstone Committee report: none
- d. Governance Committee report: none

**5. Ongoing Business**

- a. Strategic Planning: reaching out to various focus groups. Might put together a town mailing to inform people about all that is going on at GML.
- b. Building & Grounds: Still waiting to hear from the select board to finalize snow removal plans for winter.

**6. New Business**

- a. Annual town mailer: will use this to inform town about GML events, highlight programming, possibly inform about strategic planning focus groups.
- b. New fiscal year budgeting: next month's meeting will need to focus on this. Betty is willing to help. Val is working on the budget.

**7. Adjourn**

- a. Motion to adjourn by Betty.
- b. Motion seconded by Hadley.
- c. Approved unanimously by roll call vote.

Next meeting scheduled for 12/8 at 6pm.

Meeting adjourned at 7:13pm

*Respectfully submitted by Mikaela Whitaker.*