

Groton Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
Thursday, November 14, 2024 at 6:30 pm, Library Historical Room
Approved, 12/17/2024

Attending in Person: Trustees Helena Altsman, Mark Gerath, Jennifer Petersen, Kristen von Campe, David Zeiler, and Library Director Vanessa Abraham.

Call to Order:

Helena Altsman, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Vote Summary

- None

Action Items

- Mark Gerath will contact all the candidates regarding the outcome of the interviews.
- If accepted, Vanessa will alert the Town Manager and Select Board about the chosen candidate to be presented at a joint Trustees and Select Board meeting on Dec. 9.

New Business

Trustee Candidate Interviews

The Trustees interviewed three potential candidates, Heidi Robes, Leah Patton, and David Didriksen, to fill the vacancy left by Kate Bettencourt's resignation.

All three candidates demonstrated a strong commitment to the library and offered valuable experience and skills. The Trustees appreciate their interest in serving on the Board.

Each candidate was interviewed using a standardized set of questions, followed by additional inquiries based on their responses and letters of interest.

The Trustees initially received six applications for the trustee position vacancy, leaving five after one withdrew. Tonight's interviews were the second of two rounds. The first round occurred on November 7, and the other two candidates were interviewed then.

Following all five interviews, the Trustees discussed and voted to recommend Heidi Robes to the Select Board at a joint meeting of the Select Board and the Library Board of Trustees scheduled for Monday, December 9, 2024.

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Unfinished Business

- None

Other Business

- None

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Adjournment at 8:20 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer Petersen, Secretary