

**Executive Committee  
Tuesday, Oct. 8, 2024**

The meeting was called to order at 12:02 pm via Teams by Bridget Asay (President). Present: Judy Walke, 1<sup>st</sup> VP, Jeff Dean, 2<sup>nd</sup> VP, Donna Lasick, Treasurer, Sarah Seidman, Secretary, Dan Groberg, Executive Director.

The agenda was approved by consent. Dean moved and Seidman seconded approval of the minutes of the 9-10-24 meeting, Motion carried.

ED Report: Groberg said construction work is progressing but the elevator repair is slow. FEMA funding is again available and the basement "looks great". The library did not receive the Dept. of Libraries grant and the EC agreed to put several components of the improvement list on hold. The 990s are not done and will be reviewed in November. He reminded the group that Montpelier, Middlesex, Berlin and Worcester all require signatures to be gathered to get the library's request for funding on the March ballot.

Groberg reviewed the year-end financials and said major donations after the flood make it possible to do building work that is most efficiently completed now even without the DLL grant. This would entail using this year's budget surplus as well as about half of the occupancy reserve and about 70% of the reserve for subsequent years. Finance Chair Lasick said they will bring that recommendation to the full Board next week. Groberg noted that an appeal to major donors and a possible grant from \$90,000 fund from the VT Library Association specifically for flood-affected libraries may help defray costs.

**Committee Reports:**

- Finance Committee will review year-end financials and bring the plan described above to the full board meeting.
- Board Development Chair Walke said the group is all set up to receive applications for Board membership and encouraged EC members to bring interested applicants to their attention.
- Seidman reported that the Fundraising Committee meeting had to postpone its October meeting but the fall appeal is the main item on their agenda. The auction has raised \$2016 in bids so far.

Groberg said the Halloween event will be held Oct. 26, with a scary haunted house for teens and adults in the evening. He also noted that new Head Adult Librarian Sarah Townsend will make a presentation to the Board in November.

The group reviewed and approved the agenda for the Oct. 18 meeting next Wednesday at 5 p.m. Asay said she will be absent for both the EC and full Board meeting in November. The meeting adjourned at 12:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Sarah Seidman, Secretary

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