

**Stowe Free Library
Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
Sept 12, 2024**

Present: K.Spear, S. Calvo, S. Gaines, A. Colvato, L.Polk (Director), P.Lambert

Absent: S.Edwards, B.Mullin

Call to order: 8:08am

Minutes: Stand as approved.

Executive session to discuss personnel

Treasurers Report: Endowment Account contains \$1,310,659.

Director's Report: 107 programs over summer, >50 meetings in the meeting space, book sale, two summer reading programs, safety and disturbance issues, upcoming events, decorations, holocaust exhibit planning. Exciting increase of patron statistics over last year.

Friends' Report: Elections held in July (T. Johnson pres, Karina secretary, K.Spear interim VP), active outreach for VP and treasurer, recruiting new members. Friends will have monthly meetings going forward and monthly newsletters advertising specific events (eg decorating). New evaluation of vision, board compositions, plan for action items. Budget passed for library and librarians. September goal for recruitment and fund raising.

Old Business: None.

New Business: Halloween decoration Oct 8, 10th decoration. Pet costume contest. Board voted unanimously for one day suspension of pet policy to allow the pet costume event on 10/19 (rain date 10/26).

Policy Review: Review: Policies relating to "First Amendment Audits" rule of conduct. Review of current board officers (K. Spear pres, S. Gaines VP, S Calvo secretary, B.Mullin treasurer). Volunteer luncheon will be planned for June 2025.

Next Meeting: Tues Oct 8th, 2024.

Adjournment: 9:30am