Friends of the Taft Public Library Minutes Taft Public Library, Mendon, MA Mar. 31, 2025, 7:00 PM

Members present: Caitriona Scott, Lisa Bibring, Leigh Martin

Also present: Andrew Jenrich

I. Call to Order & Welcome

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 PM by Caitriona Scott.

II. Minutes

Caitriona moved to accept the Feb. 25, 2025, minutes. The minutes were approved unanimously.

III. Meeting Updates

The trustees' meeting took place on Mar. 13, 2025, at 6:00 PM. Andrew highlighted topics discussed, including annual budget items, the rectory subcommittee meeting with the architects from GRLA, and the T shirts for the cardboard boat race. Next trustees' meeting is Apr. 3, 2025, at 6:00 PM.

IV. Library Updates

The library is still looking for a genealogy volunteer. Strategic goal plans include setting up delivery to the homebound and increasing teen programming.

V. Friends Old Business, New Business, and Upcoming Events

Recent programs include a Zentangle class on Feb. 27; a felting class on March 3; an upcoming floral basket workshop on Apr. 10; and a historical re-enactment and tea on Apr. 30. All programs have been well attended. The trees for kids and teens giveaway program is underway with 48 participants and trees to be distributed around 4/22. The seed library is currently being replenished and organized for this growing year, with more seeds being ordered. The Story Trail at West Hill is still in progress. Books will be collected in April and the book sale will take place June 7 from 9 AM-1 PM. Andrew will reach out to BayState book company to arrange the after-sale pickup. The Friends will be organizing the T-shirts for this year's Cardboard Boat Race; Caitriona has been reaching out to specific businesses for estimates.

Friends Financial Update: Lisa provided a financial update, and accounts are in good financial health.

VI. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:04 PM.

The next meeting date and time is Tues., Apr. 29, 2025, at 7:00 PM.

Minutes by Leigh Martin Approved 4/29/25