

# Minutes of Quechee Library Trustees' Meeting November 13, 2023

Attending: Tommy Bauch (President), Mark Bradley (Trustee), Bill Eastwood (Trustee), Dave Izzo (Treasurer), Kate Schaal (Library Director), Jim Schmidt (Trustee), Robert Hamlin

Last month's minutes: Accepted

Public commentary: Bob - director's notes looked good!

Treasurer's report:

October looked busy in the library; great to see Friday book sale crowds

Expenses seem to be in line; uptick in donations puts us ahead of budget for this time of year

Dip in payroll due to Michaela not having same hours or pay as long-serving Marieke

Dave's went to meeting for transitioning off FiberConnect to EC Fiber. The VT Dept. of

Libraries will be providing \$16K to each library for transitioning, upgrading equipment and ongoing funds for monthly service fees. This will need to be kept discrete and tracked.

SB presentation went well. We submitted a flat request. Disappointing to learn that this was

not the "budget meeting" but conclude that it was a full enough presentation. Received

assurance that the libraries' requests would not be pulled out as ballot items as they were last

year without notice. Treasurer's Report accepted

Kate's Report:

Highlight was the wonderful Alex Prudhomme event: extremely interesting and witty presentation, delicious "presidential favorite" refreshments, and a great turnout.

Kate and Dave selected photos for a collage that Dave then created as a "thank you" to Marieke for her 15 years of service as our assistant librarian.

New/Old Business: Discussion about supporting Michaela's professional development through an online graduate program in library science. Unanimous (of attendees) consent to drafting a contract/agreement for moving on a semester by semester basis.

Next meeting 12/11/2023

Meeting adjourned