

**Fort Edward Free Library**  
**Board Meeting Minutes**  
**March 12, 2025**

**Attendance:** James Donahue, Mary Ellen Fisher, John Godfrey, Kate Hunsdon-Stannard

**Staff:** Vicki Plude

**Excused Absence:** Morgan Clark

**Welcome:** A meeting was called to order by James Donahue at 7:03 p.m. In person and Google Meet. Minutes of the February 12th meeting were unanimously approved (M.E. Fisher, J. Godfrey).

**Financial Report:**

- Bills were paid and accounts balanced through the end of February 28th, 2025.
- Checkbook reconciled as of February 28th, 2025.

**Librarian's Report:**

- Report of items, patrons, circulation, new items, Wi-Fi usage, and interlibrary loans for February.
- Book club met with 7 in attendance.
- The program "The Chosen One" was cancelled due to power outage. Rescheduled for next week.
- Will be purchasing large print books to fulfill the Home for Aged Women Grant.
- Sara Dallas is retiring in August from SALS.

- Erica Freudenberger has left SALS.

### **Correspondence:**

- LeaseDirect- information regarding payment process changes.

### **Unfinished Business:**

- Blue Mountain Lake- James will reach out to Paul.
- Microscopes- on hold until spring.
- Pipes-access panel will need to be installed in spring.
- Construction Grant- will reach out again now that snow has melted.
- Door- has been repaired.
- 110th anniversary program- changed to possibly April 27th.

### **New Business:**

- Ray Perras- requested a price quote for 2025 season.
- James and Vicki will start planning programs for summer.
- Vicki will be a mystery reader at school.
- Program for invasive species to be rescheduled for summer.
- 7/15 program- “Scat: Wildlife Poop”
- Vicki will possibly be setting up a Birds of Prey program at school.
- Still waiting to hear about the Stewart’s Grant.
- PFAS Committee meetings are held Saturdays at the library.
- Sexual Harassment training for staff to be held 4/10 at 3pm.

A motion was made to adjourn at 7:47 p.m. and was unanimously approved (J. Godfrey, M.E. Fisher).

Draft Submitted by Secretary Kate Hunsdon-Stannard