HAMPDEN FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEES MEETING Minutes March 18, 2023

Trustees: Kathy Hutchison, Kathy Rochford, Beth Burger all present

Library Director: Ellen Moriarty

Minutes – Approve meeting minutes for February 18, 2023

Bills - approve and sign

Friends – Friends will be helping with refreshments for an upcoming event. May 11, 2023

Director's Report:

Circulation Stats – February, 2023 at 2,025 / compared to February, 2022 at 2,033

Programs:

Yoga: March: 2 & 16, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m. very good attendance

Meditation with Mark: March 2, 2023 @ 5:30 p.m. very good attendance

Yoga Nidra: March 9, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m. very good attendance

Saturday Book Club: Meeting Saturday March 18, 2023 @ 11:00 a.m. Saturday, April 15, 2023

Pied Potter: Saturday, March 18, 2023 @ noon. This was a fun and engaging program and we had a great turnout. It was interesting to bring our book club book to life with pottery and history.

Massachusetts Center For the Book 2023 Reading Challenge, March, 2023 ongoing

Ellen will be presenting at World Poetry Day at the Hampden Senior Center, March 15, 2023 Ellen had a wonderful time presenting about poetry. She gave an overview, read, took questions and others read a variety of poetry.

Georgia O'Keefe Pastel Lily workshop: Thursday, March 30, 2023 @ 6:00 p.m. This was an amazing program. Greg was a fantastic presenter and teacher. Everyone enjoyed creating their own lily.

Children's programs:

Grow, Play & Learn with Pathways for Parents, every Monday @ 11:00 a.m. ongoing

Hampden Library's Storytime, every Tuesday @ 11:00 a.m. ongoing

You & Me in Music (Pathways) every Wednesday in April @ 10:30 a.m. full

Yoga for Kids (Pathways) Tuesday, April 11 @ 10:30 full

Lego Club: Thursday, April 13, 2023 @4:00 p.m. great turnout & kids enjoyed creating their Lego masterpieces.

Stuffed Animal Sleepover: Tuesday, April 18 12-2:00 p.m. upcoming

YA Programs:

Young Adult Book Club: Saturday, March 11, 2023 @ 11:00 a.m. ongoing

Shamrock Shakes & Frog Bean Bags: Saturday March 18, 2023 @ 11:00 a.m. great turnout, even made the paper.

T.A.B. Saturday April 1, 2023 @ 11:00 a.m. ongoing

Young Adult Graphic Novels Book Club, March 9, 2023 @ 4:00 p.m. ongoing

Coding & 3d Printer Class: Thursday, March 30, 2023 @ 3:30 p.m. ongoing Gracen is assisting our coding/3d students with their 3d projects one on one. This set up is working very well.

New Business:

The Town House was closed, Tuesday, March 14, 2023 due to a snow storm.

Old Business:

Ellen is working on updating our collection development policy. ongoing

Ellen is working with the Massachusetts Center for the Book to establish Thornton W. Burgess's house as a Massachusetts Literary Landmark. ongoing

Next Meeting Date: Saturday, April 15, 2023 @ 9:00 a.m.