

Town of West Boylston
140 Worcester Street, West Boylston, Massachusetts 01583
BEAMAN MEMORIAL LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Meeting Minutes – August 3, 2023

Meeting Location – Zoom Meeting

Members Present – Kate Halpin, Stephanie Hannum, Sharon Hennessey, Karen Hennessey,
Tammy Hubbard and Patrick Novia

Director - Anna Shaw

Assistant Director – Lauren Espe

Convened by Chair K. Halpin at 5:10 pm

Attendance

K. Halpin

S. Hannum (joined meeting at 7:08)

S. Hennessey

K. Hennessey

T. Hubbard (left meeting at 6:45 pm)

P. Novia (joined meeting at 5:45 pm)

A. Shaw

L. Espe

Motion Originator – K. Hennessey

Motion Description - to form a screening committee from among the Trustees, which does not represent a quorum of the Trustees, in order to find and preliminarily evaluate candidates for a new Library Director.

Motion Seconded – S. Hennessey

Motion Results – The Board unanimously voted to approve the Library Director Screening Committee whose members include Sharon Hennessey, Karen Hennessey and Patrick Novia.

Roll Call Vote

K. Halpin- Yes

S. Hennessey – Yes

K. Hennessey – Yes

T. Hubbard- Yes

P. Novia arrived at 5:45 pm

The Library Director's Presentation

Current Director, Anna Shaw, presented a detailed assessment of the position of Director of the Beaman Library: the most important characteristics of, the greatest challenges of, and the most pressing issues for, the Library Director.

Discussion with Assistant Director, Lauren Espe, about the Position of Acting Library Director

Motion Originator – P. Novia

Motion Description – to appoint the Assistant Library Director, Lauren Espe, as Acting Library Director, effective August 26, 2023.

Seconded – S. Hennessey

Motion Results – The Board unanimously voted to approve the appointment of Lauren Espe as Acting Library Director effective August 26, 2023.

Roll Call Vote

K. Halpin- Yes

S. Hennessey – Yes

K. Hennessy – Yes

T. Hubbard- Yes

P. Novia – Yes

6:45 pm T. Hubbard left meeting

7:08 pm S. Hannum joined meeting

Motion Originator – K. Halpin

Motion Description - Adjourn Meeting at 7:22 pm until the next meeting.

Motion Seconded – S. Hennessey

Motion Results - unanimously voted to adjourn until the next meeting.

Roll Call Vote

K. Halpin- Yes

S. Hannum - Yes

S. Hennessey – Yes

K. Hennessy – Yes

P. Novia - Yes

Next Meeting – September 12, 2023 at 5:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted,

Karen Hennessy, Trustee