

Montague Public Libraries Trustees Search Committee

September Minutes

Date: Tuesday, Sep 14, 2021

Time: 5:30pm

Place: Gill-Montague Council on Aging, 62 Fifth St. Turners Falls, MA 01376

Search Committee Members: Nancy Crowell, Margot Malachowski, Gretchen Wetherby, Vicki Valley, Steve Ellis, Angela Rovatti-Leonard

Trustees: Dave Harmon, Tricia Perham, Lydia Ievins

Absent: Liz Swihart

5:31 Call to order.

5:31 Conducted interview for Library Director position with Amy Wisheart. The Search Committee re-introduced themselves and asked the following questions:

1. (Vicki) What attracted you to apply for the Library Director position in Montague, specifically?
2. (Nancy) What experiences do you have in preparing and presenting a departmental budget?
3. (Gretchen) If you are overseeing a limited budget, how would you determine priorities?
4. (Angela) Tell us about a time when there was staff conflict with a patron. How did you manage that? What was the resolution?
5. (Steve) Imagine you have a staff person who is habitually late or who was inappropriate with a patron. How would you handle that?
6. (Margot) Scenario: The line is very long at the circulation desk, the phone is ringing, you are working on bills and payroll with a deadline, and you are short staffed. How would you deal with this situation?

6:24 Candidate leaves. Search Committee discusses Town procedures for making a hiring decision.

7:22 Search Committee makes a unanimous decision to invite Caitlin Kelley to meet with the Trustees on Thu, Sep 16, 2021 at 6:30pm. The Search Committee will recommend her as the next Library Director. Margot will contact Caitlin.

7:24 Next Meeting:

Trustees Meeting

Thu, Sep 16, 2021

6:30-8:30 pm

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7:25 Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Margot Malachowski
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Montague Public Libraries Trustees