

**TPL Draft Board Draft Minutes Nov 10<sup>th</sup> 2025, 5:00pm Board Meeting**

Officers	Board and Others	Board and Others
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Janet Bosworth-Pres	<input type="checkbox"/> Marie Finnegan-Excused	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Caroline
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Greg Hamlin-Sec	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Patricia (Trish) Smith-Zoom	Ward-Nesbit-Dir
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OPEN – Treasure	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kathy Derene	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Bob Rasmusen
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Carrie Brezzo	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Alice Wilkinson	
<b>Time IN: 5:00 pm</b>	<b>Time OUT: 7:34 pm</b>	Results / Action
<b>Discussion – Both in person and Zoom meeting</b>		Follow Up
<p><b>Changes to the Agenda:</b> None</p> <p><b>Approve</b> Oct 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025, Minutes</p> <p><b>Discussion about Treasurer and VP</b> - Patricia Hubbard Resigned. She is working with Kara to update the job descriptions into the investment policy.</p> <p><b>Thomaston Holiday Special</b> (Dec 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>): They want Lights on the academy. Who puts them up is to be determined.</p> <p><b>Endowment Report:</b> TPL-Why such large withdrawals and what do they represent? Concern is we are approaching 50% of the total year max withdrawal in just three months. Caroline noted a lot of exp for summer programs are at the beginning of the year. As such there should not be more major expense going forward. <b>Jodell since noted:</b> “Its my understanding that the Friends usually contribute early on in the 40 days of summer expenditures, and I understand that this year they are distributing it to us over 12 months instead of when the expense in incurred in the 40 days of summer. So hopefully it will balance out .” Essentially confirming Caroline’s observation.</p> <p><b>Librarian’s Report:</b></p> <p><b>General Updates &amp; Recent Programs</b></p> <p><b>Update on the DQST:</b> We rescheduled to October 26, one week after the original date, but new date was not announced publicly to mitigate safety concerns after online backlash. All was quiet on both the original date and the new one! We had an absolutely lovely time with about 30 people in attendance – half kids, half adults. Our storyteller, Ophelia, has a background in education outside of her life as a performer and was really great at engaging the kids. We had positive feedback from all who attended and lots of interest in having another DQST in the future.</p> <p><b>Recent Programs:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• October 12: Poetry Reading featuring Ellen Goldsmith &amp; Karin Spitfire, organized by TPL Poets’ Corner &amp; Midcoast Poetry Journal</li> <li>• October 16, 6:30 PM, here – Showing of “Mary and Molly” - a short film based on the 2016 play of the same title written by noted Penobscot Nation Tribal Elder, activist and author, Donna Loring, and a panel presentation/Q&amp;A with Donna and two of the other filmmakers</li> </ul>		<p>Motion by Kathy and Bob to approve – Unanimous</p> <p>Kathy motion to appt, Bob Liazon to the Investment Committee and the Treasurer position 2<sup>nd</sup> by Janet – Approved - unanimous</p>

- Halloween Trick or Treating
- November 5: History, Science, and Navigating Change: Preparing Thomaston’s Waterfront for a Warming World

**Upcoming Programs:**

- November 12, 2 PM: Patricia Hubbard returning with a second presentation on Ruth Robertson
- Thomaston Christmas Festival – Showing *The Polar Express* for Family Movie Night on Dec 5th and then offering holiday Storytimes and letters to Santa on Dec 6th
- Date TBA – Next Trivia Night with Knox Clinic: Another TV Show theme with The Office!
- More to come for 2026!

**Programs in development:**

- Repair Café
- Color analysis event
- Paint Night
- Teen advisory board
- Prose writing group
- Board Game Night
- Movie Nights for grown-ups, with themed food
- Continued partnership with Cushing & other area libraries for author talks & more

**Finances: Overview of Expenditures for Fiscal Year to Date:**

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**July to Oct is 36%**

Budget Category	Expenditures to Date	Budget Allocation	Net Budget	% of Budget Utilized
<b>Operating Fund</b>	\$ 77,249.12	\$ 225,312.00	\$ 148,062.88	34.29%
--Administration	\$ 61,293.09	\$ 171,150.00	\$ 109,856.91	35.81%
--Building	\$ 2,230.00	\$ 11,130.00	\$ 8,900.00	20.04%
--General Office	\$ 2,275.26	\$ 6,740.00	\$ 4,464.74	33.76%
--Employee Benefits	\$ 7,529.53	\$ 30,292.00	\$ 22,762.47	24.86%
--Programs	\$ 3,921.24	\$ 6,000.00	\$ 2,078.76	65.35%
<b>Book Fund</b>	\$ 6,736.92	\$ 19,669.00	\$ 12,932.08	34.25%
--Collection Materials	\$ 3,718.79	\$ 12,119.00	\$ 8,400.21	30.69%
--Fees & Supplies	\$ 2,986.13	\$ 7,350.00	\$ 4,363.87	40.63%
--Miscellaneous	\$ 32.00	\$ 200.00	\$ 168.00	16.00%

**Fundraising: Update on the Annual Appeal** - Annual Appeal is going well and has brought in \$7,335 so far. Friends will be meeting on Wednesday evening and future fundraising events will be the main agenda item.

**Cat Adoptions with PMHS:**

We’ve adopted out 10 foster cats! Our current library cat is Marley #11, who is a beautiful, sweet, and chunky 8-year-old lady.

**Other Updates**

**Comments, Questions, Concerns, Problems, or Praise:**

- Adjournment 5:34pm, Carrie moved, Bob seconded, unanimous
- **The Next Meeting Monday, January 12th @ 5pm**

Respectfully Submitted, Greg Hamlin, Secretary