



Provincetown Public Library Board of Library Trustees Meeting  
Minutes from Wednesday, May 19, 2021 Meeting

**Present:** Stephen Borkowski, Steve Desroches, Laurel Guadazno, Joan Prugh, Paul Richardson & Amy Raff, Library Director.

1. Call meeting to Order at 4:07pm
2. Approval of minutes from April Meeting: Joan Prugh moved and Laurel Guadazno second to approve minutes from previous meeting. All ayes. Motion carried.
3. Trustee Election Results: Laurel Guadazno and Stephen Borkowski were both re-elected to three-year terms by write-ins. After discussion, Paul Richardson moved, Joan Prugh second to nominate Steve Desroches to serve as Chair of the Board. All ayes. Motion carried.
4. Director's Report

**Online**

*Instagram followers 1,765 (up from 1,716); PPL FB followers 2,194 (up from 2,177); 2021 Reading Challenge FB members 89; Crop Swap FB followers 509 (up from 502)*

**Programming 04/21/21-05/19/21**

Crafty Coffee Hours: 7
Reading Challenge: 13
Reading Group: 10
MOBY w/ Elissa Greenwald: 18
MOBY w/ Skip Finley: 13 (44 FB views)
MOBY w/ Philip Hoare: 18 (130 FB views)
MOBY w/ CCS: 38 (81 FB views)
MOBY Highlights of the Past: 6

**Meetings/Webinars for March-April**

*Weekly Town Staff Mtg; Library Staff Mtg; Meeting Needs Group; Seed Library Webinar; Pandemic Safety Webinar; Patron Engagement Webinar, Library Journal Day of Dialogue; Spaces Can Enable Hate & Bias; Outer/Lower Cape Librarians Mtg; Social Alchemy Pod x2; Moby Planning Mtg x3; CLAMS Board Mtg; CLAMS Membership Mtg; Website Meeting x4; Friends Meeting x2; Crop Swap x4*

**Staff Updates:**

*- The PPL announced the winners and honorable mentions of the first annual Outer Cape Haiku Contest. The Library received 145 submissions from adults and students and the Poetry month*



*initiative received lots of great feedback. The winners and honorable mentions were published in our eNewsletter and our social media.*

*- This year's Moby-Dick week took the form of a week of Moby- and whale-related events, including talks by Elissa Greenwald, Skip Finley, the Center for Coastal Studies, and Philip Hoare, as well as a special video compilation of Marathon highlights created by PTV. The week's programs had a total of 87 attendees and generated over 255 views on Facebook thus far.*

*- The PPL is excited for some great programs coming in June. Dr. Marc Strauss will be starting a new 8 week series on Alfred Hitchcock's silent films; there will be a screening and discussion of Alice's Ordinary People with filmmaker Craig Dudnick; and an author event with Randi Triant and Sarah Anne Johnson.*

*-Inspired in part by Brittany's similar efforts in the YA collection, Nan has undertaken a "diversity audit" of adult fiction, to determine the percentage of fiction by women, Black, Asian, LGBT authors, etc.*

*-After months of meetings, the library's new website is up and running. Let me know what you think. We can make changes and tweaks as needed.*

*-Article 10S passed at Town Meeting - the exterior of the Library will be included in upcoming Capital Improvement Projects for the Town.*

#### 5. Old Business

2021 Library Programming: For now, Library programming will remain virtual through June and July.

#### 6. New Business

Reopening of Library: The Library will reopen to the public on June 1<sup>st</sup> without restrictions. For now, the hours open to the public will be Monday thru Friday 10-4 & Saturday 1-5. Streetside pickup of materials will be available during all the Library's regular hours.

Other: Stephen Borkowski recognized the recent passing of Brian Reardon, who was a library volunteer greeter. His cheerful and outgoing manner will be missed by the Library and he will be remembered fondly.

#### 7. Adjournment of Meeting: Paul Richardson moved, Stephen Borkowski second to adjourn the meeting. All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:10pm.

Submitted by,

Amy Raff, Director