Johnson Public Library Board of Trustees

Meeting Minutes, April 7th, 2026

Temporary Library Space in the Masonic Temple

Present: Aurora River, Library Director. Board Members: Kelly Vandorn, Suzanne Dodge, Eric Schulz, Trista Tallman, Jasmine Yuris

1. **Call to Order:** Kelly called the meeting to order at 6:03 pm.

2. A**djustments or Additions to the Agenda:** None

3. **Review and Approve minutes** from February March 11th, 2026 meeting. Kelly moved to accept, Eric seconded, all in favor.

4. **Treasurer's Report:**
   a. Suzanne provided an update on the endowments from calendar year 2025. The board decided to move this reporting to the January meeting going forward to align with the calendar year reporting.

5. **Librarian's report** – Aurora
   a. Aurora emailed a librarian's report to board members prior to meeting for review. This was reviewed and discussed.
   b. The library is working on community engagement as a priority.
      i. Life Long Learners will continue through May, but may evolve into something that continues further.
      ii. Kristen hosted Norah's Beads at Lamoille Union. This was the second event. The first event had about 5 people in attendance, but the second had about 30 participants.
      iii. There will be a Writers of Johnson program hosted by Alex Laws beginning April 14th.
   c. Aurora met with the library directors of Hyde Park and Morrisville libraries.
   d. At the next meeting (May 13th, 2026), the board will review and approve the updated Inter-Library Loan Agreement.

6. **Progress Report of New Library** – Eric
   a. The library addition continues to progress.

7. **Grant Updates - Kelly**
    a. The T-Mobile Grant application was submitted last week.
    b. Kelly received information about a $5,000 landscaping grant.

8. **Fundraising Status Report – Jasmine**
    a. The fundraising committee met with a local artist who agreed to create an art piece that would have price tiers for donors to contribute to. He has graciously agreed to donate his time and supplies to this project.

9. **New Library Employee—Aurora, Kelly**
    a. Linda is retiring at the end of April. Kelly spoke with Rosemary; it was determined that the position will need to be posted.
    b. Trista provided Aurora with previously approved Job Descriptions. The average hours and pay will be added and it will be submitted to be posted.

10. **Selectboard Update**
    a. Old Library Location Land
        i. This was an agenda item as Old Business for the Selectboard at the 04/06 meeting. The minutes from the Selectboard meeting were not posted yet.
    b. Bond update
        i. No further conversation has been had with the Selectboard after the thought of a Bond was brought to the Selectboard meeting 03/19.

11. **Trustees Discussion possible Executive Session**
    a. Moved to Executive session at 6:57pm.
    b. Moved out of Executive session at 7:17pm.

12. **Unfinished Business** – None.

13. **Adjourn**. Suzanne motioned to adjourn at 7:18pm, Eric seconded, all in favor.