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Town of Chester Library Board of Trustees
Meeting Minutes
March 25, 2026

1. **Call to Order:** Mary Stein called the meeting to order at 8:04 a.m. Present: Mary Stein, Greg Gross, Noelle McCrum, Maggie Carpenter, Hali Holmes; Library Director: Alma Alvarez. Not Present: Ryan Hutton, Vanessa Hutton, Nancy Stokholm; Friends of the Library: Linda Taverni; Town Rep: Jenna Marie Cooper.
2. **Approval of January 2026 Minutes:** Noelle moved to approve. Greg seconded. Passed unanimously.
3. **Director's Report:** Alma presented. (See attached.) Trustees signed the Ethics Agreement.
4. **Public Comment:** None
5. **Friends of the Library Report:** None
6. **Town Board Report:** None
7. **Financial Report:** Maggie reported that the library received another endowment donation in the amount of \$250.
8. **Old Business- Update on remodeling:** Mary reported that Paul Mays and his assistant were at the library on March 24 to take measurements. The application needs to be written in July. A subcommittee will meet on Tuesday, April 14 at 8:00 a.m.
9. **New Business:**
 - A. **Amend Nov. 2025 Minutes:** Noelle moved to amend the Nov. 2025 minutes to include the Slate of Officers' names and offices they're holding. Maggie seconded. Approved unanimously. Hali will make the change.
 - B. **Use of Remaining Grant Monies:** Discussion
 - C. **BOT purchase for FOL Wine Tasting:** Maggie moved that the Board of Trustees purchase and donate a wooden bear, costing up to \$250, for the Wine Tasting event. Noelle seconded. Passed unanimously.
 - D. **SALS Dinner Meeting- May 18.** Sign-up is coming soon.
 - E. **Salaries for Town Employees:** There was discussion re: the discrepancy between library staff and other town employees. This will be addressed during our annual budget meeting.
 - F. **Senior Programs:** Greg reported that there are three programs that are supported by the partnering of the Library and the Senior Center. Other programs are supported by the partnering of the FOL and the Senior Center.

10. Next Meeting: April 15 2026 @ 8:00 a.m.

11. Adjournment: Greg moved to adjourn at 9:03 a.m. Hali seconded. All approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Hali Holmes, Secretary