

The Friends of the North Hampton Public Library

December 9, 2025
North Hampton Library

In attendance were Amy Choate, Deb Sillay, Cynthia Swank, Kim Glendon, Hope Miller, Carolyn Vinica, Donna Etela, Carol Seely, Melissa St. Jean, and Library Director Liz Herold.

Call to Order:

Co-President Amy Choate called the meeting to order at 12:30.

Approval of Minutes:

The minutes submitted from October 14, 2025 were accepted after a first motion, second motion and vote were made.

Library Director's Report:

Liz discussed the Library's digital service increased use and hence, increased funding needs. A motion was made to give \$800 to the Library for additional use of the digital app Hoopla. A second motion was made. All voted in favor of this donation. Liz also presented funding requests from Katie and Emily. Emily has requested \$225 in order to purchase gift card prizes for a "Page Turners Tournament" to be held in the Spring of 2026. Katie has requested \$1,100 for a variety of in-house programs for January-April 2026. She has also requested \$900 for two outside vendor programs: Magic Fred and Little Groove Music. Emily's request of \$225 was approved after a first motion, second motion and vote were made. Katie's request of \$2,000 was approved after a first motion, second motion and vote were made. A brief discussion ensued about how the Library is revamping their mail chimp newsletter. Emily created a few possible banners for the Friends to be considered.

Treasurer's Report:

Deb provided a Treasurer's report for the past month. She indicated there have been fewer but larger donations made for the Annual Appeal. Cynthia and Deb have been inputting information into Quick Books. The bookkeeper has been very helpful. They will eventually be able to obtain more reports from this system. Reporting will look a little different from last year as they are now logging everything into a fiscal year format. The monthly Treasurer's Report was approved after a first motion, second motion and vote were made.

Old Business:

Deb provided a Charitable Gaming update. Our application has been submitted and a decision will be made by the end of the month. Deb's Charitable Gaming contact indicated they may rotate non-profits. They are also looking for partnerships; groups willing to advertise and work at the gaming evenings.

Nancy provided an Old Home Day Trolley Tour 2026 update. A charge of \$15 was suggested and agreed upon by the group. A save the date for the event will go in the Community Newsletter.

New Business:

Nancy shared that the Scholarship committee recently met and suggested we name the Friends of the NHPL Scholarship in memory of Jane Boesch. Jane was an actively involved and very devoted Friend of the Library for many years. All agreed to name the scholarship in memory of Jane Boesch.

Next Meeting:

January 13, 2026

Meeting Adjourned.

Minutes prepared 12/9/25
by Kim Glendon