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Library Trustees
Paula Ralston, Chair
Ben Ebert, Vice Chair
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Gary Deziel, Treasurer
Margo Coy, Member at Large

Final Trustee Meeting Minutes
July 22, 2019
6:30 - 8:00 pm
Location: Georgia Public Library

Attending: Margo Coy, Gary Deziel, Paula Ralston, Cindy Rutkowski, Bridget Stone-Allard

Special guest: Lara Keenan, Consultant, VT Dept. of Libraries **Absent:** Ben Ebert

Paula called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

1. There were no additions or deletions to the posted agenda.
2. Secretary's report: Attendance was taken. Review of June 17, 2019 minutes rescheduled to August 19th meeting.
3. Treasurer's report: Rescheduled to August 19th meeting.
4. Library director's report: Rescheduled to August 19th meeting.
5. Committee reports: none
6. Old business: none
7. New business: none
8. Laura Keenan (VT Dept of Libraries) did an educational session about library trustee responsibilities and duties.
9. Other business: none
10. Concerns for selectboard: None.
11. The next board meeting is scheduled for August 19, from 6:30 to 8 at the Georgia Public Library.
12. The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

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