

Board of Library Trustees

E. Hunt Bergen (2015) - Helen Connor (2015) - Robert Damish (2014) - Helen Howard (2016) - David Wildnauer (2014).

The Library Board of Trustees is the governing body for Walpole's public library. The board has the legal responsibility for the provision of library services, custody of library property, appointment of the library director, expenditure of funds, and determination of library policy. One of the primary functions of a board is to ensure that library services effectively meet community needs. Working with the library administration, the Library Board of Trustees also assists in planning and goal setting for the library.

The Board of Trustees organized for 2013 with David Wildnauer as Chairman and Helen Connor as Secretary. In June, Helen Howard was elected to the Board. In September, Robert Damish was appointed by the Selectmen and Trustees in a joint meeting to fill the vacancy left by Deborah C. Burke's resignation.

With sadness, the Trustees would like to note the passing of former longtime Trustee and avid library user, Linda Gilmore.

The Board of Library Trustees sponsored five programs during the year centered on Green Buildings / Green Homes. Programs included Saving Energy at Home, Sustainable Landscape and Gardening, the Joy of Green Cleaning, Water Conservation and the showing of the documentary Blue Vinyl. The Trustees also approved the installation of additional signage throughout the library. A memorial tree was planted in the library garden and a row of hedges planted on the side of the building.

The Board of Trustees would like to thank the Friends of the Walpole Public Library for the purchase of the outdoor tables and chairs that were installed in the library garden area, the Norwood Evening Garden Club, for maintaining the library garden, and the staff of the Walpole Public Library for their service to the residents of Walpole. The Trustees would also like to thank all who have helped this year with gifts, suggestions and keen interest in the Library and its functions.

The Board generally meets on the third Tuesday of the month.

Respectfully Submitted,

David Widnauer, Chairmen
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