Thank you for your interest in becoming a trustee for our Dover Plains Library.

Typically each year at the November meeting, new trustees are nominated and then selected by the Board’s vote at the December meeting. Since there are 9 trustees on the Board and each trustee’s term is 3 years, there are three trustee positions that open every year. In September, the Board of Trustees chooses 3 of its members whose terms are not expiring to serve as the nominating committee.

The Board of Trustees of the Library ensures that the Library’s services are compatible with the needs of the community. The 9-member, volunteer Board plays a vital role in developing library policies and overseeing library budgeting. The Board meets on the first Wednesday of every month at 7 pm at the library. But, most of the work is accomplished through the Board’s three standing committees: Finance, Facilities and Personnel. Trustees are expected to be active participants in at least one committee as well as at general meetings. Funding for the Library is derived primarily from a designated portion of Town property taxes. More information is available on the library’s website: www.doverplainslibrary.org

If you are a resident of the Town of Dover and would like to be considered for election to the Board, please attend two regular monthly Board meetings in order to learn more about the library and its Board of Trustees. You may also want to attend a committee meeting. Please fill out the “Application for Library Trustee,” and email it to director@doverplainslibrary.org.
APPLICATION FOR LIBRARY TRUSTEE

NAME:__________________________________________________________

ADDRESS:_____________________________________________________

PHONE: (HOME) ____________________ (CELL) _______________________
          (WORK) _____________________

E-MAIL:________________________________________________________

1. ARE YOU A FULL-TIME RESIDENT OF THE TOWN OF DOVER?

2. EDUCATION:

3. EMPLOYMENT HISTORY:

4. COMMUNITY SERVICE HISTORY:
5. Why are you interested in serving on the Board of Trustees?

6. Describe any special skills, strengths or talents (e.g., accounting, technology, mediation) that you possess that would be beneficial to the library board.