

CHATHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY

Relationship with The Friends of The Chatham Public Library and The Friends of the Canaan Public Library

The Board of Education and the Chatham Public Library Advisory Committee (CPLAC) recognize that the Friends of the Chatham Public Library and the Friends of the Canaan Public Library are not-for-profit organizations created to benefit the Library by raising funds, providing library advocacy and creating public awareness within the community for the services and programs of the library. As such, The Friends provide a valuable means of stimulating community interest in the Library, and aiding the Library in accomplishing its mission.

The BOE and CPLAC value the support provided by the Friends' organizations and welcome input in the Library's long term planning processes, so that the many kinds of contributions that the Friends' Groups supply align with the goals and objectives of the Library.

Gifts and donations from the Friends of the Chatham Public Library and the Canaan Library to the Library shall be accepted by formal approval of the BOE, and shall be expended for the specific purpose agreed to by the Friends' organizations and the Library, following consultation and discussion with the Friends on how funds raised for the Library could best benefit the library's strategic initiatives.

The Director of the Chatham Public library and CPLAC shall be given complete advance information regarding all Friends' plans, projects, public relations, and activities on behalf of the Library, to assure that they are in the Library's best interest, and aid in furthering the Library's mission. The Director and the CPLAC reserve the right of final approval on any project or program proposed by the Friends of the Libraries.

Cross-ref: Relations with Booster Organizations, CCSD Policy 1222

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