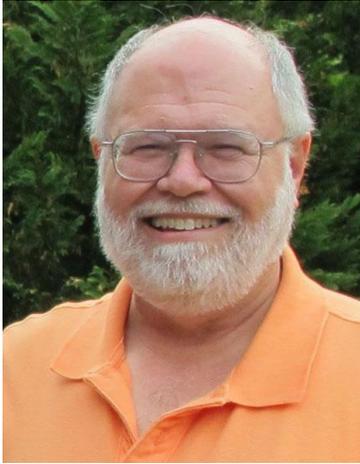


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## Robert L. Batt – Candidate for Library Trustee

*Incumbent & Caucus Nominee*



### Events:

No public events listed

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### Candidate Questions

The Bedford Citizen has posed the following questions to Candidate Batt; his answers will appear on Monday, March 2

- What is the biggest challenge facing the Library Trustees?
- Some libraries are experimenting with new techniques to measure the true worth of the public library that go beyond the traditional metrics: (number of books circulated, number of reference questions answered, etc.) Can you think of innovative ways to capture the less tangible qualities that make our Library so vital to the life of the community?

### Candidate Statement

I am standing for reelection to the Board of Library Trustees because I continue to believe in the importance of the Bedford Free Public Library as a valuable resource to all the citizens of Bedford. It provides materials, services, and networks that meet the needs of a wide range of patrons. The demands of our fast moving society require access to information and networks not readily available to all people in their homes or places of business or employment. The Library can help provide access to many of these resources and the services needed to take the best advantage of them. In my six years serving as a Trustee, I have seen a tremendous advancement in technological access, digital book downloads, self-checkout, online reservation and fee payment, as well as many other cutting edge services. The staff has been excellent in supporting these many advanced additions to services and programs. The Library also serves as an important center of learning and research for patrons with many different needs, young and old, of varied economic circumstances, intellectual pursuits, and entertainment tastes. I hope to continue being a useful member of the Board and to help in the continued development of one of our most important public trusts. Due to family needs and long planned travel I will be unable to be available for direct inquiry during the election period, but I hope you will vote for me on election day.