

# Recommended Policies Checklist

*Adapted from the Handbook for Library Trustees of New York State, 2018 Edition*

## **External**

### **Circulation**

- Customer Service
- Patron Confidentiality
  - Law Enforcement Inquiry
- Lending Rules (including Non-Resident Borrowing)

### **Collection**

- Collection Development (including weeding)
- Censorship:
  - Challenge of Library Materials
  - Freedom to Read (ALA)
  - Freedom to View (ALA)
- Copier/Copyright
- Local History

### **Public Space & Safety**

- Accessibility/ADA Statement
- Exhibit/Posting
- Incident Report Form & Procedure
- Meeting Space/Equipment
- Patron Behavior/Code of Conduct
- Patron Complaints
- Programming
- Tutoring
- Smoking
- Unattended Children
- Vulnerable Adults

### **Technology**

- Cybersecurity\*
- General Data Protection Regulation
- Library Equipment Usage (ex: computers, printers (including 3D printers), and other devices)
- Internet Use
- Wireless Use
- Website

## **Internal:**

### **Board**

- Code of Ethics/Conduct
- Conflict of Interest
- Continuing Education
- Equity, Diversity & Inclusion\*
- Meeting Procedures (including public expression)
- Removal of a Trustee

### **Administrative**

- Business Continuity Plan
- Inclement Weather/Closing
- Public Access to Records (Freedom of Information Law (FOIL))
- Public Relations (including social media)
- Records Retention
- Security System Access
- Sustainability\*

### **Financial Controls**

- Audit/Review Schedule
- Claims Audit Process
- Credit Card
- Disposition of Surplus Property
- Friends Group Memo of Understanding
- Fund Balance & Reserve Funds
- Fundraising/Gift
- Investments
- Inventory/Fixed Assets
- Online Banking & Wire Transfers
- Petty Cash
- Purchasing/Procurement
- Travel & Conference

**Personnel**

- Attendance/Leave
- Code of Conduct
- Computer/Internet/Email/Social Media
- Continuing Education
- Discipline/Termination
- Equal Employment Opportunity
- Evaluation Procedure
- Grievance Procedure
- Harassment
- Sexual Harassment Prevention\*
- Jury Duty
- Nepotism
- Orientation
- Outside Employment
- Personnel Records Access
- Probationary Period
- Recruitment/Hiring
- Salary/Benefits
- Telecommuting\*
- Volunteers
- Workplace Monitoring and Surveillance\*
- Whistleblower Protection

**Safety**

- Airborne Infectious Disease Exposure Prevention Plan\*
- Disaster Recovery Plan/Continuity of Operations Plan (COOP)
- Emergency Action Plan
- Active Shooter Procedures
- Opioid Prevention Measures
- Workplace Safety

\*new since the publication of the most recent Trustee Handbook

