

Under the provisions of the Vermont Public Records Law, §315 et seq., I am requesting copies of the following public records:

Any and all communications, hard copy and electronic, including but not limited to: emails, text messages and Facebook/Instagram/WhatsApp messages, to and from Whiting Library's Youth Services Librarian Carrie King that mention or discuss: "Drag Queen Story Hour," "DQSH," "Make Believe Story Hour," and/or "Robert Nied" (including any and all aka references such as "Robert," "Nied," "Chair," "Chairman," "Chairperson," etc. as well as misspellings of the aforementioned, such as "Neid, Need, etc."), from February 1, 2022, up to and including the date of this request.

Any and all communications, hard copy and electronic, including but not limited to emails, text messages and Facebook/Instagram/WhatsApp messages, to and from Whiting Library's Youth Services Librarian Carrie King and any of the following individuals and entities, beginning on March 1, 2022, up to and including the date of this request:

Catherine Delneo, Otis Herwig, Jonathan Clark, Joy Worland, Carolyn Brennan, Jessica Clapp, Mike Bensel, Dana Kaplan, Amanda Jordan Smith, Dan Tyrell, Tanya Ryals, Elaine Dean Wrubel, Jess Frasca, Aurora Laura, MJ Miles, Kelly McCagg, Susan Brace, Randal Smathers, Susan Bourne, John Cummings, Chris Burks, Rebecca White, Don Clark, Tamasin Kekic, HB Lozito, Nellie Bluth (or any individual known by Ms. King to have used the online pseudonym "Nellie Bluth"), Linda Diak, Emily Burkland, Ethan Weinstein, Thom Simmons, Susan Gorman Bailey, Lisa Goldstein, Guido Graveline, Claudio Veliz, Emily Russo, Justin Marsh (aka "Emoji Nightmare"), Janet Clapp, Taylor Small (aka "Nikki Champagne"), the performer known professionally as "Katniss Everqueer," Shawn Cunningham, Cynthia Prairie, The Chester Telegraph, The Vermont Department of Libraries, Bryn Geffert, Margaret Woodruff, Erica Shot, Bridget Stone, Amy Olsen, Janet Clapp, Jessamyn West, The Vermont Library Association (VLA), including listserves and other distributive group email platforms hosted or administered by the VLA, the New England Library Association (NELA) the American Library Association (ALA), VTDigger and the Vermont Journal.

Any and all communications, hard copy and electronic, including but not limited to: emails, text messages and Facebook/Instagram/WhatsApp messages, to and from Whiting Library's former Director Deirdre Doran that mention or discuss: "Drag Queen Story Hour," "DQSH," "Make Believe Story Hour," and/or "Robert Nied" (including any and all aka references such as "Robert," "Nied," "Chair," "Chairman," "Chairperson," etc., as well as misspelling of the aforementioned, such as "Neid, Need, etc."), from February 1, 2022 to June 30, 2022.

Any and all communications, hard copy and electronic, including but not limited to emails, text messages and Facebook/Instagram/WhatsApp messages, to and from Whiting Library's Director Deirdre Doran and any of the following individuals and entities, from March 1, 2022, to June 30, 2022:

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If the law does not allow access to one or more of these records, please inform me within three business days, as provided by law, and inform me of the specific exemption that applies to each record or portion of a record being withheld.

If an otherwise public record has a portion that is exempt from disclosure, please redact the exempt portion and release a copy of the rest of the document together with a notation of the specific exemption that applies to the redacted portion.

If some or all of my request is denied, please provide the name, title, and contact information of the person responsible for the denial and inform me of the appeal procedures available to me and the name and contact information of the person to whom an appeal may be made.

If you have questions about this request, please call me at the phone number listed below.

Thank you

Robert Nied

cc:  
Whiting Library Vice Chair  
Chester Town Manager