

BAKER FREE LIBRARY
MEETING ROOM USE AGREEMENT

Final 2/10/2016

The Baker Free Library has the following meeting rooms available for use, subject to the following stipulations: Upstairs Meeting Room; Welch Meeting Room; Boucher Tutoring Room, and Concord Group Tutoring Room.

1. Any group using a meeting room at the Baker Free Library must include a Bow resident and the reservation must be placed by a Bow resident or non-resident Baker Free Library card holder 18 years old or older. All reservations are subject to final approval by the Library Director. If the group includes children, consideration must be given to the functions of the Library. Trips outside the designated room must be kept to a minimum. Respect for other Library patrons is paramount.
2. Reservations for any meeting room must be made through the Library Assistant – ILL Coordinator, preferably through the online form on the Library’s web site. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. The Library reserves the right to cancel any meeting or event in the case of emergencies such as dangerous weather conditions, power outages, public restroom issues, etc.
3. The three meeting rooms in the Lower Level space (Welch Meeting Room, Boucher Tutoring Room, and Concord Group Tutoring Room) can be reserved for use only during the Library’s regular hours of operation. The Upstairs Meeting Room may be reserved for times outside of the Library’s regular hours of operation, but no meeting, function, or activity may extend beyond 11:00 p.m. or before 7 a.m.
4. The Library is a drug-free zone. Smoking, drinking alcohol, and the use of illegal substances are not permitted anywhere on Library property.
5. In accordance with local and state fire codes, the Upstairs Meeting Room is limited to a maximum of 32 people; the Welch Meeting Room is limited to a maximum of 22 people; and the two Group Tutoring Rooms are limited to a maximum of four people in each at any one time. Note that there are no bathroom facilities on the Lower Level, and use of the elevator is necessary for persons who cannot safely negotiate the interior stairway.
6. Attendees of any meeting held in the Lower Level must sign in at the circulation desk when they arrive, and must sign out when they leave. This is in accordance with fire/police requests to know who is in the Lower Level of the building in case of an emergency. Failure of meeting attendees to sign in and out may result in revocation of Lower Level meeting room privileges for that particular group.
7. The Upstairs Meeting Room and Welch Meeting Room may not be used by individuals or organizations for the promotion or sale of goods or services for monetary gain unless the individual/organization pays a \$50 per hour room use fee. This restriction includes use of the rooms by self-employed individuals who want to hold an event or meeting specifically geared to promote their products or services. At the discretion of the Library Board of Trustees, this fee may be adjusted on a case-by-case basis.
8. The two Group Tutoring rooms are for meetings of 4 or fewer people. They are available on a first come, first served basis. Tutors being paid for their services may use either of these rooms for a fee of \$5 per hour (payable prior to the reserved use). For-profit groups who are not tutors may use these rooms for a fee of \$25.00 per hour. The Group Tutoring Rooms may be reserved by any one person or group for no more than one 4-hour session or two 2-hour sessions in any one day; and for no more than a total of 10 hours during the course of a single week. Please refer to the Library’s Group Tutoring Policy for further information.

9. Wireless access is available in all meeting rooms. However, this is a public wifi connection, and therefore is not secure. Users are advised to not access or to transmit confidential information (banks, credit card companies, etc.) or to send any personal identifying information over this connection to any site.
10. The rooms must be cleaned up and left in the condition they were in before the meeting took place. The Library enforces a “Carry-in, Carry-out” trash policy. Trash and recyclables created during room use must be removed from the premises. Plastic garbage bags are available in each meeting room for group use. Failure to remove trash/recyclables may result in denial of future meeting room use privileges.
11. Requests to use the library’s TV/DVD player should be made at the time of reservation confirmation or at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting start time. A rental fee of \$10 to borrow the TV/DVD player is due at the time the request is made. If a request for the TV/DVD player is made less than 24 hours in advance of the meeting, library staff may not be able to fulfill the request if there are only two staff people available on the main floor. Non-library staff are not allowed to move the TV/DVD player within the library building due to liability reasons.
12. If a meeting is to take place in the Upstairs Meeting Room while the Library is not open, the signer of this agreement will be responsible for picking up a Library Meeting Room Key from Bow Police Dispatch at 12 Robinson Road, Bow. The key can be picked up no earlier than 12 hours before the meeting start time, and can only be picked up by those individuals designated on the original meeting room reservation as those who can cancel a meeting. Unauthorized duplication of the key is prohibited. The names and phone numbers of those individuals are provided to Bow Police Dispatch by the Library Director. **Library Meeting Room Keys must be returned to Bow Police Dispatch within 12 hours after a meeting has ended.** Failure to do so will result in a visit from a Bow Police officer to retrieve the key. Multiple late key returns will result in revocation of future Library Meeting Room use privileges. If a key is lost, the signer of this agreement will pay \$20 to the Baker Free Library for key replacement.
13. Any individual, group, or organization holding a meeting in the Library must fully release and discharge the Baker Free Library, its trustees and staff, the Town of Bow, its officers, agents, and employees from any and all claims from injuries, including death, damages, or loss, which may arise or which may be alleged to have arisen out of, or in connection with, the meeting. They must further indemnify and hold harmless and defend the Baker Free Library, its trustees and staff, the Town of Bow, and its officers, agents, and employees from any and all claims resulting from injuries, including death, damages, and losses, including but not limited to the general public, which may arise or may be alleged to have arisen out of, or in connection with, the meeting.
14. Failure to abide by the Library’s Meeting Room Use Agreement may result in the cancellation of, or refusal of, future reservations.
15. A signed copy of this agreement must be on file with the Library prior to the meeting date.

I, _____, agree to the above stipulations. _____
 (print name) Signature Date

Further questions about this Agreement should be directed to Lori Fisher, Director, at (603) 224-7113 or bfldirector@comcast.net

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