

Library Board of Trustees May 23, 2022

The regular meeting of the Village Library Board of Trustees was called to order at 6:00pm on Monday, May 23 by Anne Bohara.

Present

- Maria Long, Lauren Nappi, Knicki Knickerbocker, Kate Shuhler, Holli Schrom, Sheri Kautman, Anna Bohara, and Cindy Line

Acceptance of the last meeting's minutes

- The minutes of April were approved.
- Motion made by Sheri Kaufman and seconded by Holli Schrom. The motion passed with unanimous consent.

Correspondence

- Correspondence connected to the garden, we will review during the garden discussion.

Director's report

- Library Operations
 - We had 27 new registered patrons. The highest number we have seen since the start of the pandemic.
 - Patrons really enjoyed the author day program. We made 72 dollars from the bake sale.
 - We had 69 people in attendance for the Easter egg hunt. We think this attracted new families that then signed up for cards.
 - Senior pinochle group has resumed.
 - Staff enjoyed our BCPL Staff Development day. We got inspired by what some of the other libraries are doing and tweaked some things for an upcoming Adult grab and go program.
 - Circulation was slightly lower than previous month but we are still solid with numbers and certainly higher from last year.
- Library CE updates
 - All CE requirements have been met.
- Budget
 - We received our state funds
 - Maria wants to hold off changing phone services and other office changes until the new budget is set in stone.
- Future Updates
 - Judy and Maria plan to submit all paperwork to Long and Barrell by the end of May to begin the 2021 audit.

- Maria and other members of the BCPL has teamed up WCR Center of the Arts to plan a Kurt Vonnegut Birthday Bash which will take place 11/11/22
- Maria has reached out to the Twin Valley High School to set up an internship involving a Spanish bilingual/ cultural story time. Waiting to hear back from the school
- Summer Reading starts June 13- August 3. Tickets earned are due by August 6th.

Treasurer's report

- State Aid came in
- Holli made a budget account details sheet to help explain the monthly reports in more detail.
- Motion by Knicki Knickerbocker to accept, and seconded by Lauren Nappi. Passed with unanimous consent.

Old Business

- Update on using Gmail
 - Using it for communications and planning purposes.
 - Folders are created, and will be used as a way to share documents moving forward.
- Update on Friends' Committee
 - Rock the Library
 - Confirmed the date for July 30th from 9-12.
 - Lauren Nappi has reached out to some local businesses to help sponsor the event, and also supply activities throughout the morning.
 - We are hoping to have a touch a truck, face painting, girl scouts, kindness rock painting, and some performances to bring in families.
 - We are looking for volunteers to help make this a success
 - Hoping for another bake sale.
 - Kate Shuhler ran our first Friends meeting.
 - Great conversation on moving forward with new projects.
 - We are working to get a sign out front to make the library more noticeable.
 - Book Sale on hold until the Friend's group is on its way.
 - Fundraising will be discussed in detail next month.
- Children's Garden
 - Township got back to Maria on our garden project, but no work has been confirmed.
 - Minimal wedding needs to be done, and the shed needs to be power washed, prior to Iron Mountain's Day of Service on July 22.
 - We have a strategy in place to try to get this work done prior to our deadline.
- Scheduled time for planning discussions- June 1st at 6 pm

New Business

- None at this time

Cindy Line motions to close the meeting, and Sheri Kaufman seconds. The meeting was officially closed at 7:15 PM.

Next Meeting: 6:00pm, June 27 at the Village Library

Library Mission statement:

The Village Library provides resources, services, programs, and technology to enrich lives, Build community, and foster success.