

Mooers Free Library Board of Trustees Meeting

Tuesday, May 18, 2021 @ 5:00 PM

Mooers Free Library, 25 School Street, Mooers NY 12958

**Due to Covid-19 members met remotely via Zoom*

President Tim Gonyo called the meeting to order at 5:07p.m. following with the pledge of allegiance. Present were Tim Gonyo, Jenn McIntyre, Art Menard, Patty Gaudreau, Irving Breyette, Marilyn Willette, and Library Director Jenny Lavigne.

Adoption of Agenda

Jenn McIntyre made the motion to adopt the agenda. Seconded by Marilyn Willette. Motion passed.

Secretary's Report

Art Menard made the motion to adopt the report. Seconded by Jenn McIntyre. Motion passed.

Correspondence

The State Library is requiring all libraries to be open their required minimum hours by June 1st. We're good on this front since we've been open for browsing since August.

We got the library paintings in frames and a reporter from the Sun heard Art mention it on the recording of the town board meeting. She came to the library to speak to me about it and said space permitting it would be in the next edition so keep an eye out for it this weekend.

Elizabethtown took one of the old children's shelves and Ticonderoga wants the remaining one. I told them we would hold it while they worked on finding transportation but I haven't heard from them since May 4th.

Doc Evans approached me about filling in a sunken part of his property that spans into our side. He is going to fill all of it at no cost to us and just wants to use the library's driveway to drop the dirt off.

Director's Report

See Attached

Treasurer's Report

See attached

Old Business

- a. The new HD camera has been installed on Jenny's computer.
- b. Porch posts - Patty Gaudreau will contact Sample Lumber and Swanton Lumber to get prices for post options.
- c. Fir tree - Patty Gaudreau contacted Mike Magee about purchasing a fir tree for the library. He offered to donate a white spruce next spring. Board agreed to wait until then to plant the tree. Patty will confirm with Mike Magee.
- d. Art work by Pam Vogan has been framed and hung in library- Art Meseck made the frames. Art Menard, Jenny Lavigne, and Patty Gaudreau helped Gerald LaValley install the paintings in the library.

New Business

- a. Mask mandate lifted in NY- The library will continue to follow the school policy on mask wearing.

- b. Construction grant - There is potential for 90% coverage. State has approved the grant, but there is no criteria yet concerning who qualifies and how qualifications are met. Jenny Lavigne will find out more information regarding this. Art Menard will work with Jenny with the writing and wording of the grant. We are considering purchasing a storage shed and gazebo with the grant money. The deadline for intent to apply for the application is June 14. We will have to get estimates for a storage shed and gazebo, cement pad and sidewalk going to the shed before the final grant is submitted.

Public Discussion

No community members present

Dates of future meetings

June 15, 2021 @ 5:00 p.m.

Adjournment

Patty Gaudreau made the motion to adjourn at 6:05. Seconded by Marilyn Willette.

Minutes by Patty Gaudreau - secretary

Director's Report May 18, 2021

The songwriting workshop Making Music with RiverJack Z has been scheduled for Wednesday June 30th from 3:30-4:30pm.

I told Michael Spofford we were interested in the Swank Movie Licensing for \$145 and am waiting on him to send us an invoice. I am going to try and add movies to summer programming

Juvenile rotating collections will start up again in June. They were suspended during the pandemic so now we have the adult and juvenile rotating collections from CEF up and running again and are just waiting on the rotating DVDs to start again.

I've opened up computer access by appointment but it hasn't been utilized yet. I had one patron make an appointment but they never showed up for it. I think most people are still using their own devices in the parking lot.

Zoom knitting circle-no one showed up initially to this virtual event, someone came in about 15minutes late and it turned out they live in the UK so I don't know how they found our zoom link. The patron who asked me to do the event popped in 30minutes into it on mute and no camera.

CEF is providing access to an ALA training course so I signed up for it. I've completed 3 of the 4 modules and will should be able to finish the last one on Friday. (Customer service, creating a welcoming environment, essentials of intellectual freedom, and diversity and libraries)

We are scheduled to receive the library system gnome on July 26th and will send him to the next location July 2nd and to reiterate the Gnome Around event is a gnome sign that is being passed around to member libraries to put outside. Community members are encouraged to hunt for the sign and then post pictures to social media for an entry to win a prize bag.

I filled out the application for the summer reading mini grant which we won't hear back on until we submit our report at the end of the summer.

I am looking to do summer reading this year with a mix of virtual and in-person outdoor activities. Probably some virtual story times with accompanying take and make craft kits and will also do some outdoor socially distanced activities if the weather permits. I am almost done creating a schedule of events and will need to purchase some programming supplies.

Lastly, I need June 25th and 26th off and am not sure how easy getting someone to volunteer to cover will be because of Covid.