

Warning: Tunbridge Library Trustee Regular Meeting

Date: Tuesday March 15, 2022 (postponed from 3/1/22)

Time: 6:00pm

Place: Tunbridge Public Library

Virtual: Link provided @ tunbridgelibrary.org

Minutes: (FINAL)

Attendees: Mariah Lawrence, Catherine Freese, Anna Dechert, Theresa Fitzgerald, Mark Bomalaski (remote). Community: Lynne Hadley

Community Input:

- *Catherine started the meeting off with very yummy 3-layer brownies.*
- *Theresa shared that we should look into the ash tree in front of the library in case it needs to come down due to emerald ash borer. Anna will have Paul Harwood take a look and give a recommendation.*

Secretary Report: Approve Minutes from February 5,2022

- *Anna moved to approve minutes, Mark seconded. Approved.*

Treasurer Report: Update on spending to date (Fiscal year '22 ends June 30th)

Update on Annual Appeal Letter donations

- *Annual appeal letter: as of March 8, total donations were \$11,664 (we had budgeted income of \$7,500)*
- *As of March 1: income is 114% of budget; expenses were at 58%*
- *Catherine moved to accept report, Anna seconded. Approved*

Librarian Report:

Program updates

Events

LTC grant update

- *LTC community conversations are coming up! Saturday, March 19, 3pm in-person, & March 22 @ 6pm. In-person meeting will be catered by Wit & Grit (thanks, Wit & Grit team!)*
- *Mariah hired a Comic Club leader, paid via stipend for duration of the program.*

- *Sign-ups for the after school program (in conjunction with One Planet) are already coming in - the program cap is 25pp and 16 are signed up so far.*
- *Sue Space/BumbleBee Garden update: materials have arrived! Gordie Barnaby will work on installing the fence in May.*
- *The conversation for the VT reading book "We Contain Multitudes" is coming up!*
- *Mariah is planning a touch-a-truck story hour, and a chicken story hour (with some baby chicks in attendance!)*
- *Mariah is working with Andrew Plotsky from Bethel design company FarmRun on developing a TPL logo*
- *Catherine moved to accept librarian's report, Anna seconded. Approved.*

Old Business: COVID - update from CDC

- *Based on VT state guidance and the fact that Tunbridge school has dropped the masking requirement, trustees recommend that the same guidance is applied to the library and masks are made optional & welcome, but not required. Mariah will update signage accordingly.*

Trustee position openings - 2 terms expire May 21 Town Meeting

- *Two potential candidates are in mind! Others are welcome to be in touch with current trustees to learn about serving.*

New Business: Discuss options for IT services , internet and phone

- *Theresa spoke with EC Fiber*
 - *Current: phone \$45 / internet \$90 /month*
 - *ECFiber: phone \$32 / internet 100mbps \$104 or 300mbps \$135. Lots of other reasons that ECFiber may be better - local service, community discount, quality of connection.*
 - *Mariah will look into ECFiber switchover*

Public Comment:

- *Lynne asked what the involvement of the library is with the Town Meeting Day lunch/dinner. The Friends of the Library takes the lead on this and it will be part of the discussion at their next meeting on March 31, 6pm.*
 - *Lynne suggested that Town Meeting may also be a nice opportunity to think about other ways for the town to come together, meet new residents & old residents, and think about what can be shared in this setting.*

Executive Session:

Catherine moved we go into executive session [1V.S.A. 313] for the purpose of completing annual director evaluation. Entered executive session 7:02pm.

Catherine moved that we end executive session, Anna seconded, approved. Executive session ended 7:26.

Trustees will next meet on our regular date on Tuesday, May 3 (skipping a meeting in early April).

Anna moved to adjourn at 7:27pm, seconded & approved.

Public Comments: none

Action Items: none