

FRIENDS OF TUCKER FREE LIBRARY
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
Regular (Virtual) Meeting: Saturday, September 23, 2023

ATTENDANCE:

Board Members: Gwen Airgood, Sylvia Lennox, Michele McMurphy
Also Present: Lynn Piotrowicz – Library Director
Late Arrival: Mary Corsetti at 8:06am
Absent: Naomi Praul and Trustee Liaison Anne Crotti

CALL TO ORDER: 8:03am

Mary Corsetti was late so Michele McMuphy recorded the minutes until Mary arrived.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Minutes accepted as read

TREASURER'S REPORT: Citizen's Account: \$8574.51 PayPal Account: \$210.70
*Gwen will check winter training sessions for state forms

TRUSTEES REPORT: Meeting was Wednesday, September, 20, 2023.

- *met with Bar Harbor Bank to discuss future projects
- * the fire suppression system was placed on hold
- * all other projects will proceed

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- * groups and organizations are using the library
- * various programs being offered
 - quilting class for children 10 and up; AI talk; hiking the 48's presentation
 - Nattanan will present her trip to Thailand and Thai customs
- * discussed providing an honorarium to some presenters
 - decided an honorarium of 20% of the fee with a minimum payment of \$20
- * Discussed circulation desk issues
 - need to build a new desk for downstairs
 - would need a higher level for staff use and a lower level for the patrons
- * upstairs desk needs changes for ergonomic reasons
 - an ergonomics expert will visit on October 3rd

PORTABLE KITCHEN:

- * on loan from the State Library during January and February
 - has an induction cook top and comes with pots, pans, and utensils
 - Dumpling Night? Staff could make Thai, Chinese, and Polish dumplings
 - Cook-off? Ask local chefs to participate
 - Kids Cooking Class? offer after school

MINI GOLF:

- * Sunapee and Hanover have used it successfully
- * some concern regarding cost effectiveness
- * Lynn suggested having 18 holes
 - 9 holes downstairs for children and families
 - 9 holes upstairs for adults
- * possibly tie it in with a project or party

FRIENDS ANNUAL MEETING:

- * briefly discussed slate of officers and time (possibly January/)
- * will have a full discussion at October's meeting

RETURN TO IN-PERSON MEETINGS:

- * desire to return but maybe not in winter months

Next Friends Meeting will be Saturday, October 14, 2023

*Meeting will be in person if everyone agrees.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 9:04am