

FRIENDS OF TUCKER FREE LIBRARY
BOARD MINUTES
Regular (Virtual) Meeting – Saturday, November 19, 2022

Board Members Present: Naomi Praul, Gwen Airgood, Mary Corsetti, Sylvia Lennox,
Michele McMurphy, Rob Reno
Also Present: Lynn Piotrowicz – Library Director
Anne Crotti – Trustee Liaison

CALL TO ORDER: 8:01AM

SECRETARY'S REPORT:

- Annual Meeting Minutes – contained spelling errors
 - minutes accepted with corrections
- November Meeting Minutes – had missing word and misinformation
 - 1) Sylvia Lennox was not present
 - 2) Michele McMurphy ought to have been listed as a guest
 - minutes accepted with corrections

TREASURER'S REPORT: Pay Pal Account – \$268.95 Citizen's Account – \$6,793.17

- Gwen reported that a vendor wanted to be paid through an online account
- the annual fee for the state of NH could also be paid online
- Gwen requested getting a debit card from the Citizen's Bank to use in these circumstances
- Lynn will give Gwen any remaining receipts from summer and fall programs

TRUSTEES REPORT: Meeting was held on Wednesday, November 16, 2022

- 1) Trustees met with Budget Committee to answer any questions regarding TFL budget
- 2) Garavanta Lift cannot be replaced because of code
 - money is needed for a better solution
 - best solution would be to rework plans for some type of elevator
 - Rob pointed out that a Civil Rights violation might mean closing down the library
 - Michele suggested looking into pro library organizations who might offer financial aid
 - Lynn said Trustees need to come up with one project all can agree on
 - see cost for elevator only going to 2nd floor and compare with cost to 3rd floor
- 3) Trustees liked having Friends present at their meeting
- 4) Young males are causing trouble in the library
 - Lynn and Trustees developed a hard-line policy with only 1 warning
 - after 1st offense- no library for 1 month; 2nd offense- 3 months; 3rd offense- 6 months

Next Trustees Meeting will be Wednesday, January 18 at 5:00pm.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- 1) Gratitude Project was well received both on-line and on the boards
- 2) Resolve to... Series begins January 7, 2023 and runs for 4-5 weeks
 - Staff will pull books and speakers will have presentations
- 3) an NEC education major will be helping with after school programs at the end of January
- 4) Sundays at the Library
 - The Animal Adventure Program with Susie Spikol was well received
 - unfortunately only about 15 people attended
 - Susie has other programs which we might consider choosing in the future
- 5) Up-coming programs include:
 - A History of Joni Mitchell on January 15, 2023
 - Mr. Aaron of Rattlebox Studio on January 29, 2023
 - Bee Program on February 5, 2023
- 6) Ruth Zax asked if the Friends might like to sponsor a violin programs
 - Lynn felt it was not “kid friendly” and declined

CHRISTMAS DECORATING:

- Friends will decorate on Saturday, December 3 at 9:00
- decorations will include wreaths and candlesticks at the front windows
- Nattanan will create a decoration for the front door

OTHER BUSINESS:

- Rob mentioned it is time to begin our 2023 Membership Drive
 - all agreed that sending post cards was still a good option
 - Sylvia will address and mail them
 - each member ought to send out 5 cards to increase our list of names
 - Naomi will review previous e-mail drives and create a new one
 - Lynn will create a general e-mail for the drive

MEETING ADJOURNED: 9:06am

Next Friends Meeting will be via Zoom on Saturday, January 21 at 8:00am.