

Library Board Meeting - October 16, 2018

Members Present: Library Director Christina Becker; Board Members Jen Baker-Porazinski, Sue Mitchell, Sue Sawyer, Mary Laedlein, Clem Crowe, Ken Gottry and Bob Odess

SS made a motion to waive the reading of the minutes. SM seconded. All were in favor.

Treasurer's Report:

BO reviewed the treasurer report. There was nothing to report. He notes we did receive a \$600 check from Phantom Lab. SS made a motion to accept the report, SM seconded.

The library received notice that we were remembered in the will of patron Bruce Ralliston.

Old Business:

SS discussed reviewing the library's policies and procedures. CB will copy make a copy of all policies to distribute for the next meeting. The board will review a policy at each meeting starting with the next meeting.

New Business:

There is a discussion about expanding and changing library hours for January 1st. CB will meet with staff and then make some suggestions for the next meeting.

BO mentioned that SALs has a new grant program for up to \$1000 to provide training to Trustees or Staff offered four times a year.

Library Director Report:

CB updated us on the joint LARAC grant, which is almost complete and is anticipated to be mailed on Friday.

The Alzheimer's Association held the first support group on October 1st. There will be a workshop on "Effective Communication Strategies" on October 31 from 11-12. The next support group will be held November 5 at 6 PM.

She notes there were 67 participants in the summer reading program receiving certificates and 23 have been paid out so far. The deadline is November 30th.

The Washington County Office of the Aging Senior luncheon at the library was held on September 26th. There were 12 participants. The next one is scheduled for November 14 at noon.

There were 20 kids at the Reading Program for the most recent "Lights on Library Learning".

Another set of learner-tutor for the Adult Literacy Program joined.

On September 20th author Erik Schlimmer presented a 45 minute program about the origin of Adirondack Place Names. There were 8 participants.

Mike Russet presented on October 4th on The Gettysburg Battlefield Memorial. There were 18 participants.

The first lego club of the year was successful with 11 kids and 6 parents.

Howard Romack and Kathy Pike will be here October 27 and November 3 to distribute and discuss their new book "In Your Own Backyard" from 1 to 4.

New local artwork is hung on the library wall. There is a sign-up for a 2 month rotation for artists interested in hanging their work.

We should be hearing from the TAG grant to "Preserve NY" in the next 2 weeks. Whether or not the library receives this grant, board members are committed to explore changes and additions to the library and will fund the feasibility study. SM made a motion and KG seconded. All were in favor. CB will set a date for approaching the community in November.

The next meeting of the Library Board will be Tuesday December 4th at 4:15.