

Minutes for Cambridge Library Board of Trustees Meeting April 27, 2021 Held in person on the lawn at the Cambridge Public Library!!

Attendees : Bob Odess, Monica Ravreby, Sue Sawyer, Clem Crowe, Ken Gottry, Mary Laedlein

Minutes and treasurer's report from March were moved to be accepted by KG., MR seconded, and motion was accepted.

Old Business

CB reports that "the library is in good shape". The Earhardts (Mae and Mike) have painted inside railings. Mae Earhardt will paint the doors, as well as the outside railings soon. A search will go out for a person to scrape and paint the outside windows.

Planters will be in place soon (DPW). Also, planting around the tree for the 150th anniversary will be decided. Perhaps a sign on tree.

MiSci kits have been enjoyable. There are no more now, but this will be investigated. Streaming and links are a possibility for the summer.

Outdoor activities are on hold, however, Make and Take kits continue to be a hit. These kits will continue.

The State report was accepted without corrections.

New Business

Cornell Cooperative Extension Kits for Kids Container Garden program is a huge hit. 32 families have registered to participate, and this activity will be available in late May.

Farm 2 Library program is a success. The refrigerator is in. Every Thursday a delivery is made. Our only expense is electricity. Fresh food is available to any community member who walks in. Donations from the community will be accepted. (ie. tomatoes, zucchini)

A "buffet" table will be placed to encourage people to take books from the collection of free books.

As of May 3, there will no longer be quarantined books.

We will become a fine free library – more materials will be turned in. The mission is to increase literacy rather than be punitive. People will still be responsible for damaged or lost books. At this time, there is no restriction on books not returned.

Motion made to remove fines for revenue with some restrictions by SS, seconded by ML.

Kindergarten and 3rd grade will be visiting the library (one class at a time) for a tour and activity.

June 1 begins a new fiscal year with the library open for 30 -hour week. BO made a motion to install this schedule, and MR seconded.

10- 2 MWFS 5:30-8:30 MW

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Annual newsletter is to be reviewed and approved for the Eagle. It will run before the school vote on May 18.

Next meeting to be in person at Library or zoom, Tuesday, May 25, 10 am

Motion to adjourn BO, seconded, ML

Meeting adjourned at 4:10

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Laedlein