

Salisbury Free Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes 5/17/2022

Present Barbara Andres, Gay Truax, Kate Williams, Alison Metcalfe, Mary Beth Tichacek, Jody Brakeley, Ruth Bernstein, Willie Jansen, Marcy Birmingham, Peggy Cox

Secretary's report: Mary Beth Minutes from April read and approved.

Treasurer's report: Alison Our investment account is down again.

Expenses: \$1,803.25 Income: \$13 from book sales

First draft of proposed budget for next year presented and discussed.

Income is ahead of expenses for this year.

Library director hours will be increased to 13 hours/week with a .50/hour increase. Online media has seen a large increase over this past year and in addition to a grant from the Rotary we spent \$258.30 for a total of about \$900. This item has been increased in the budget for next year to \$1200.

Programs have been increased to \$400.

Fundraising will be increased to \$5000 Based on our success of this past year.

Library Director's report: See report on file. On May 24 Heather Hardt will conduct a wild edibles and foraging walk.

This Saturday Ashley Wolff will hold a guiding drawing at the Pitch Pine Trailhead to celebrate the opening of a new story walk.

Ruth will apply for the CLIF grant book giveaway at Branbury Beach this summer. She is also applying to CLIF's Rural Library Grant of \$2000 for the purchase of children's books. Our new volunteer, Gretchen, will take over Pat's extended hours (4-6) on Tuesdays during the summer.

Old Business: Marcy will research policies regarding record retention and present in July.

Gay has started looking into a Censoring policy and will present her findings at the next meeting.

New Business: At our next meeting on June 14 Paul Vascy, Select Board Head, and Glen Andres, Head of the Town Hall Renovation Committee, will speak to us about our present building in the old Town Hall and the Select Board's thinking about our possibly using the space in the present Town Offices.

Possible questions for them:

1. Time frame for construction to start on our present building.
2. Consequences if we decide not to use the Town Office space.
3. Will the old Town Hall building meet ADA compliance? Fire code? Once the construction is completed?
4. State of electric in present building?

Alison moved and Barbara seconded accepting two new board members, Jody Brakeley and Kate Williams, as members "at large". Vote in favor was unanimous.

Discussion on whether we should have an Executive Committee composed of the library board officers. To be continued.

Vote on new by-laws.

“The Board of Trustees shall consist of at least 7 and up to 11 Trustees, including the three officers, and members shall be approved by the Select Board”

“Any Trustee appointed mid-year or to fill a vacancy shall be designated “Trustee at large” until incorporated into the regular rotation”

Peggy moved and Marcy seconded this addition to the by-laws. It was approved unanimously. Marcy moved and Gay seconded that we adjourn the meeting.

Next meeting June 14 at 3:30

Respectfully submitted,
Peggy Cox, Secretary