

PULTENEY FREE LIBRARY
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 8, 2019

The meeting was called to order by President Liz Ryder at 7:00 pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Liz Ryder, Debora Yastremski, Elizabeth White, Nancy S. Cole, Linda Payne, Luanne Graulich, bookkeeper Fred Schulte and director Barbara Radigan.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Dennis Hanson, Wendy Proctor and Ellen French.

The MINUTES of the December meeting were accepted. Moved by Elizabeth White, seconded by Debora Yastremski.

BUILDING COMMITTEE REPORT: Carol McGill described the process she and Barb Radigan have undertaken to select furniture for all sections of the new build, and the discussions with the Amish carpenter (Jacob) who will construct the shelving along the south and west walls and create a new circulation desk. The current desk will become a part of the Director's office work area.

The Board authorized the expenditure of \$138,000.00 for the above purchases and construction. Motion made by Linda Payne, seconded by Luanne Graulich.

Work is beginning anew on the inside of the building, with the heating system projected for completion in the next two or so weeks.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Fred Schulte reviewed the financial data as available at this time. The Final report will be presented at the February meeting. Total income of \$61,285.77 shows an increase of \$8,854.84 over the December 2017 total. The donation from the Taylor Foundation is cited as the source of the increase this year.

The Capital Projects report reflects the generosity of local donors and the Construction Aid grants received through the State and STLS.

The full report is posted on SharePoint.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Barb announced the successful response from the Arts of the Southern Finger Lakes for grant money to fund three of our popular programs: needle felting, Gelli plate creating and wire wrapping jewelry making. We received nearly \$570 from the Firemen for our work at the Summer Sunday breakfasts, and the invitation to join again this summer. She also noted that Steuben County is one of the few in New York State to support libraries financially. We will receive \$2,167.00 again this year. That and Bullet Aid of \$2500 from Senator O'Mara, will help fund Internet access and tech and surveillance cameras.

The winter reading program is set for February and March. Reward prizes are already in place.

Volunteers are welcome to join Carol and Barb at Advocacy Day in Albany on February 27th.

OLD BUSINESS: Liz has secured the Fire House for our Spaghetti dinner fund raiser April 7th. Set up Friday evening, start cooking at 9 Saturday morning.

NEW BUSINESS: The recording secretary announced she will be absent the next two meetings.

Meeting adjourned at 8:24 pm. Moved by Debora Yastremski, seconded by Elizabeth White.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy S. Cole, recording sec'y