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ANNUAL MEETING, NOVEMBER 16, 2019

President Liz Ryder called the meeting to order at 10:04 am. She welcomed the attendees to the first Annual Meeting held in our beautiful new Ross Memorial Library.

The minutes of the 2018 Annual meeting were read and approved: moved by Debora Yastremski, seconded by Wendy Proctor.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Linda Payne, Wendy Proctor, Ellen French, Debora Yastremski, Elizabeth White, Dennis Hanson, Liz Ryder and Nancy S. Cole; Director Barbara Radigan, Bookkeeper Fred Schulte.

**ABSENT:** Luanne Graulich.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** Barbara gave a joyful power point presentation of the amazing year we have just had! In addition to the statistics on circulation, new books added and increased numbers of volunteers and donors to our programs, she shared pictures of **THE MOVE!** Nearly 100 volunteers unloaded shelves, placed books in picking boxes, carted them to our new library, unloaded them and stacked the shelves! A veritable wagon train of people and activity. (Additionally, Fred Schulte had set up the TV with a loop of the physical building process.) That was followed by pictures of our Grand Opening.

Embedded in it all were pictures of kids and adults engaging in a wide variety of activities - jewelry making, crocheting, writing, needle felting, gelli plate collaging, and the Memorial Day parade. Other activities of note included our joining in other community events: Breakfast with Santa, Easter Bunny and egg hunt, preparing and serving at Firemen's Breakfasts, and the new event for Halloween: Trunk or Treat.

Barb also noted the many contributions in honor and in memory of community members. She thanked our several sources of funding, including the Fred and Harriet Taylor Foundation, Senator Thomas O'Mara and the SAM grant, and highlighted the work of Carol McGill, who spearheaded fund raising, grant writing, and donor contributions. Carol received the Southern Tier Library System Outstanding Library Advocate Award.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Treasurer Elizabeth White explained the year's income and expenses with pie charts and answered questions from the

participants.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Policy changes: The Board approved the MWBE (Minority and Women Owned Business Enterprise) required of State Grant recipients. Moved by Fred Schulte, seconded by Dennis Hanson.

The State policy on nepotism: Moved by Debora Yastremski, seconded by Linda Payne.

Community Room Use Policy: moved by Debora Yastremski, seconded by Fred Schulte.

New Trustee Nominations: Deborah Baran: moved by Debora Yastremski, seconded by Wendy Proctor.

Carol McGill: moved by Elizabeth White, seconded by Debora Yastremski.

Trustees with expired terms, wishing to continue: Liz Ryder: moved by Debora Yastremski, seconded by Dennis Hanson; Nancy S. Cole: moved by Elizabeth White, seconded by Wendy Proctor.

Barb announced there will be a Ladies' Christmas Tea on December 30th at 2 pm in the community room.

There being no further business, the group repaired to the refreshment table.

Respectfully submitted,  
Nancy S. Cole  
Recording Sec'y