

PULTENEY FREE LIBRARY
BOARD MEETING MINUTE
AUGUST 11, 2020

The August meeting of the Pulteney Free Library was called to order by President Liz Ryder at 7:05pm.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Debora Yastremski, Deborah Baran, Ellen French, Luanne Graulich, Elizabeth White, Nancy S. Cole, Carol McGill, Dennis Hanson and Liz Ryder, Director Radigan. Absent Fred Schulte.

The minutes of the July meeting were approved as read. Moved by Debora Yastremski, seconded by Elizabeth White.

FINANCIALS: Treasurer Elizabeth White walked us through the Financials, as of July 31, 2020. We are at the appropriate levels, Actual vis a vis Budgeted. There remains the expense of the Generator, the grant monies for which have been approved, but remain on hold. Approved: Moved by Carol McGill, seconded by Ellen French. Full report on SharePoint. Carol McGill noted that all NYS grants must be re-certified.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Director Radigan outlined the activities of the past month, including the submission of the COSAC grant, asking for monies to purchase a camera and tripod for videoing programs to project on our screen. In the works are two other grant requests: The Keuka Area Fund (bike rack and repair station), and a matching grant with ARC for a multi-function printer-scanner-copier-fax machine. It would have wireless capability, allowing patrons to print from their own devices.

STLS member libraries met online to discuss the request to the County Legislature. The consensus is that since State funding to Counties will be limited, member libraries should not depend on much availability.

Census training took place in the Cornell-Minnerly room, with some communication difficulties and freezer mishaps. All is well and it resulted in a reinforcement of our commitment to charge a fee for use, refundable if no mess is left.

Other announcements: Ann Ricotta will teach a crystal clay workshop, with social distancing guidelines in place. Other workshops are planned for September and October. STLS has resumed deliveries and quarantine hours have been established. Story cards were placed around the library

(outside) with guidelines to aid children in an imaginative reading experience. More are planned. The Book Club begins September 3rd with The Lager Queen of Minnesota. Meetings are underway to consider new ways to serve our communities, both in workforce development and homeschooling. Gabe Smalt has taken over The Grapevine Newsletter and intends to continue with the Aging in Place activities and the Community Garden.

OLD BUSINESS: President Ryder noted that out 414 petitions had been successfully delivered to the Board of Elections.

NEW BUSINESS: All Trustees must complete Sexual Harassment Training again this fall.

Dennis Hanson announced he will be leaving us, with two years remaining on his term. Members are encouraged to consider new recruits to fill his vacancy.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Nancy S. Cole, recording Sec'y