

## September 12, 2023 Pulteney Free Library Board Meeting

Meeting **called to order** by Carol McGill at 7:04pm

Members **present**: Carol McGill, Barb Radigan, Deb Decker, Ellen Derby, Elizabeth White, Karin Mulhearn, Liz Ryder, Ellen French, Fred Schulte

**Minutes** for August: Reviewed. Elizabeth White moved to accept the minutes, seconded by Deb Decker. So moved.

**Financial Report**: Presented by Elizabeth White. Ellen Derby moved to accept the report as presented, seconded by Deb Decker. So moved. The proposed 2024 budget was reviewed and discussed. Motion to adopt the proposed budget was made by Deb Decker. Seconded by Karin Mulhearn. So moved.

**Director's Report**: Barb presented the happenings of the library. Detailed report available on Sharepoint.

- Circulation is down some from the last few months due to summer programs ending.
- Dorothy Graham, our gardener, was named STLS volunteer of the year.
- Book clubs are holding steady at 4 attendees for each club.
- On grants, the final report for the DEI grant and the Keuka Area Grant application have both been sent.
- The John Bolger band is scheduled to perform on October 1<sup>st</sup>. Several community entities have come together but we are waiting on a few more to make this a Pulteney Community event.
- Movie Night was a hit with Lyle Lyle Crocodile with 18 in attendance.
- The Non-Dewey system is done. The weeding process opened up 2 shelves which immediately filled. Barb is now weeding out books from the fiction collection to keep it current.
- The Great Give-back is coming up again in October and we will continue with the food pantry collection as it has been successful.
- There are many activities coming up: story hour continues, Lego Club is resuming, basketry class is Sept 23, October 3<sup>rd</sup> is Medicaid 101 workshop, we will be a trick or treat location on Halloween, Tanglewood Nature Center will be here with birds of prey on Nov 4<sup>th</sup>, and again we will have stained glass mosaics class on Nov 11 and 18.
- Eleven new books have been ordered or are now in. Barb reported that the new books are coming in now after the pandemic delay.

### Old Business:

Summer Adult Reading Program- all the prizes are still coming in.

Elevator – Ordering the elevator has been troublesome as the company wants the shaft built before placing an order, which will delay delivery. Steve is going to help get it ordered.

414 – Usually there is mention of the budget and vote for the library in the Pulteney Newsletter. Choosing the timing of the newsletter will be carefully done to include the information in a timely manner. Discussion next month.

### New Business:

Bike Storage - Blaine Mays is working on getting a fleet of used bicycles for kids age 5-9 to create a free bikes and helmets program. He would like to store the bikes in our basement. There is a collection date of Sept 30<sup>th</sup> for donations of bikes.

Movie Dates – It was suggested that more movie dates might be added to our activities since they are so well received. Perhaps an adult movie, or Saturday matinee for kids. Perhaps near a holiday or as a winter pass-time. It could be held in the community room.

**Adjournment**: 7:51pm

Respectfully submitted,  
Ellen Derby, Secretary