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Whitingham Library Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
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April 9, 2025

5:43pm Meeting called to order.

In attendance Tanya Bernard, Shandell Soumar, Wendy Sergeant, Judy Bernard, Mark Halverson, Kristine Sweeter- Director, Edee Edwards, Halifax

Public comments: Edee Edwards, representing Halifax Community Club asked for cooperation for movie screening /discussion event. There will be 2 documentaries based on WWII Japanese internment camps located at National Historic Landmark, Heart Mountain, Powell WY

There was discussion of copyright laws to view the films in Halifax, since the copyright cannot extend outside the building in Whitingham. The library is willing to share equipment and the cost of promotion.

Shandell made a motion to approve March 2025 Minutes. Judy seconded, all approved.

Director's Report – See attached report

Discussions:

Specials

April -Family Bingo Sunday, April 27th Still seeking donations, gift certificates, baskets, etc. Asking for gift cards each trustee has a tax donation letter to give to donors.

Librarians' 20th and 15th Celebration event Saturday April 12, 2025, 2-4pm.

GMLC (all libraries belonging to GMLC) to negotiate a contract for a movie license.

Whitingham library offers movie events 2-3 times a year.

Costs will be evaluated based on the events.

Shandell made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:06 pm. Tanya seconded, all approved.

Next Meeting is May 7, 2025.

Director's Report

Kristine Sweeter

April 9, 2025

❖ **Programming:**

Story Hour –April – cancelled

Adult Craft Group – 3rd Thursday 10:30 am – 8 attendees

Yoga Mondays 6 pm – 6-10 attendees

Homeschool Group – 2024-2025 school year - Mondays; 9-11 am, - 15 attendees

Book Group 2nd Wednesday 5 pm - 5 attendees

❖ **Specials:** March –Plant Prop - Cancelled / Paint Night 17 / Ayurveda 4

April – FAMILY BINGO – Sunday April 27th

****NEEDED: Gift Baskets **Adults & Children**

Bingo Caller – Deb Abbott volunteer

Kristine

Montshire Museum Pass

North Star Bowl – 2 day passes

Big Y - \$25 x 2 (saving 1 for food cart)

VT Deli - TBD

J'ville Store - TBD

Home Depot - TBD

Vermont House - TBD

Royal Diner - TBD

Lois:

Stop & Shop - \$25

New Fortune - \$25

99 Restaurant - \$25

Foster's Store - \$30

Appleby's - 2x \$25

BJ's - \$25 (plant swap)

Pinehill Orchard - \$25

Subway – 5 6in subs

Shelburne Coffee – Gift Basket

Grants:

-2024-2034 Fiber Connect Grant

Internet cost covered: \$250 per month Expended (\$4,728) Balance \$12,271

-Price Chopper Grant \$500 – submitted (food cart)

-Hannaford Grant - \$850 – submitted (library summer camp)

❖ **Finances:** 2024-2025

- Annual Appeal – \$14,605 (Goal \$8,525)

- Yoga - \$1,270

- in memory of Donna Bruno \$100

- Deposits: 3/13 \$175, 3/27 \$240, 4/9 \$214.95

- Account balance: M&T Money Mkt account balance \$63,974

-2024-2025 Budget Status Report attached

-2024-2025 Statistics – Attached

❖ **Staff**

- 3/30 Kristine attended Windham County Director's Meeting

❖ **Trustee's**

-Trustee Training Online – March 28th – Recording not posted yet.

-Plant Prop class - Reschedule?

❖ Misc. - GMLC to offer movie license more info to come.

❖ Collection - purchased 3 new giant games: connect four, monopoly, candyland

❖ Circulation statistics attached