



Whitingham Free Public Library
P.O. Box 500
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Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes Sept.28, 2022
Call to Order 5:07 PM

In attendance: Edie Brigham, Maryanne Cheveralls, Tanya Bernard, Adam Ranslow, Catherine Bell and Kristine Sweeter, Director

Public comments: N/A

Approve June 1st and June 8th meeting minutes: Maryanne moves to accept June 1st minutes, Adam seconds, all approve.
Maryanne moves to accept June 8th meeting minutes, Adam seconds, all approve.

Director's report:

Programming: Rhyme time on Mondays has had little to no attendance so Kristine will help Lisa make event notices for Facebook and will reach out to home schoolers, possibly offering a Library Day to the home-schooling community.

Adult craft group continues on third Thursday of the month

Yoga is back on Mondays. The cost is \$50/wk and has been paid for with the programming money. Kristine suggested possibly offering the instructor use of the Library for her therapy sessions in exchange for the yoga classes. The board discussed whether that would need selectboard approval and given that the therapy sessions are a business it was doubtful the selectboard would approve. After much discussion it was decided that the board would not ask the selectboard. It was suggested that maybe patrons could pay for yoga sessions.

VT Reads: The Most Costly Journey, a graphic novel by Vermont author Jane Beck follows migrant workers in Vermont. On Oct.12 at 5pm there will be a viewing of Migrant worker Documentary and Oct. 19 at 6pm a discussion at Pettee Memorial Library in Wilmington.

Halloween: Pumpkin Fest is a work in progress, need about 30 pumpkins, Butynski's has them for \$5-7/ea. Will do a haunted hallway and display pumpkins and possibly have a pumpkin contest with attendees voting for silliest/ scariest/ most unusual, etc. Possibly do a Trunk or Treat but may have to get selectboard approval.

Summer Camp and Blueberry festival are completed and both were very successful.

Grants:ARPA #1 Final report completed

Summer reading Grant report submitted

ARPA #2 \$1,182 purchases in progress to include projector, sound system and Lego kits

Cliff Rural Libraries grant w/ Halifax School awarded and purchasing books, planning events

Fundraising: 2022-23 annual appeal sent and we have already received some donations

Quilt raffle on hold

May try to do a 50/50 raffle at the Ladies Benevolent Society craft fair, Sat. Oct. 1, Tanya and Adam will sell tickets 9-3.

Staff: The board welcomes Lisa Miller for Youth Services

A brief discussion of changing Board meeting time to 5:30

Adam moves to go into Executive Session at 6:40 pm, Maryanne seconds. Maryanne moves to leave Executive Session at 7:05pm.
Adam seconds all approve.

Maryanne moves to adjourn at 7:11pm Adam seconds, meeting adjourns.

Respectfully submitted, Catherine Bell