

# Marlow Town Library Trustees' Meeting

Monday 9/18/2023

Present: Jill Sanders, Linda Fuerderer, Jeanne Kennedy, Gayle Rosa and Jennifer Brown

Quorum declared, Ms Sanders called the meeting to order at 6:33

## **Secretary's Report:**

The minutes from the previous meeting were read. Ms Sanders motioned to approve the minutes, as written. Ms Fuerderer seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

## **Treasurer's Report:**

Ms Fuerderer presented the budget updates.

It was decided the \$249 for the new dehumidifier should come from postage and supplies line item.

The Summer Reading Program check to "feeding Tiny Tummies" moved to programming.

Ms Rosa motioned to accept Treasurer's report. Ms Kennedy seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

## **Librarian's Report:**

Ms Brown reported she had spoken with the Town's insurance provider, and the library and it's contents are fully covered, as are our volunteers.

Agent informed her they do not recommend signing waivers, as NH case law doesn't support their validity in court.

He suggested as long as we keep the things we loan in good condition, it should be fine to loan hand tools, sporting equipment and other items.

Ms Brown told the Board she had encountered an unusual event not listed in the protocols: internet outage.

She added the issue, and steps to resolve it to the list of other unusual events.

Ms Brown informed the Board the storage shed had been approved by the Select Board, so we need to get lumber quotes (approx \$2,200), and a start date.

Ms Fuerderer said Kroka was available to build the shed the Week of Oct 16 – 20.

It was agreed this was a good week.

Ms Brown offered to donate the windows for the shed project.

It was decided the shed should be paid for with funds from the savings account, as that is where the money raised so far has been deposited.

Ms Brown showed the Board the puppet theater loaned to us by the Mount Caesar Library (and Donna Chase) to play with during their renovation.

Ms Brown told the Board about the printer issues the library had been experiencing since their last meeting.

Currently, only one of our printers is properly functioning.

It's probably due to the cheap toner we purchased.

She also informed them the printer is now connected to the patron desktop, so patrons will have privacy when printing.

Ms Brown recommended requesting funding for a new staff printer in the budget for next year.

**Programming:**

Ms Brown informed the Board she had decided to scrap the scavenger hunt for this year.

The weather and other considerations have made it difficult to put together a fun and informative experience this fall.

The aftercare program doesn't have enough interest to populate a program this year.

Will try again next year.

Ms Brown will meet with the members of the Monadnock United Way, and use the \$500 in grant money to host a baby and toddler program.

Other programming ideas put forth at the meeting:

Young entrepreneurs' club

Jewelry class with Jim Peccora

bring in Native American expert and author Robert Goodby for a lecture

Another Mozzarella Class

Christmas gifts & wrappings classes.

Ms Sanders closed the meeting at 7:55pm

Next meeting Monday October 16th @ 6:30 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeanne Kennedy