

Barnet Public Library

Minutes of the Board of Trustees

September 11, 2014

In Attendance: Dylan, Sheri, Sarah, Heather and Julie

Approved previous meeting minutes unanimously.

Treasurer's Report (Heather Counter)

Financial report (attached) approved unanimously.

Heather noted that we received the annual appropriation from the town. We will be scheduling a meeting with our Edward Jones Representative, Larry Cipollone, to discuss the library's investment fund. Heather also spoke with Bob Ginsberg, attorney, that he will continue with the process of clarification of library status and be in touch.

Librarian's Report (Dylan Ford)

Trunk or Treat will again be held on October 31st at Harvey's Lake from 5-7pm. The library will hand out books as they have done in the past. The summer reading program Fizz, Boom, Read concluded. The program was well received and attended. The next event is banned (challenged) book week from September 21-27th. A new HP computer is on order, another will be ordered if this one meets expectations. Events being considered for the future include an evening with a Nutritionist to discuss the recent interest in the Paleo diet, Preteen/Teen book discussion nights. Coffee Hour Mondays started this week and was enjoyed by several patrons.

Old Business

Art at the Library- Next event is October 15th with Sarah Walls teaching nature photography. An event is needed for November, wreath making is being considered and will see if we can get an instructor. December event-Evan Perkins will be teaching beginning wood carving. Julie will contact Evan to determine date and time.

Facility/Renovations-discussed tabled as Alan was not present. Dylan will follow up with the Selectboard about contacting an exterminator to remove wasps.

Policies and Bylaws- The library needs to develop bylaws and written policies. Sheri, Julie and Dylan will begin the research by looking at what other libraries in Vermont have done and report back at the next board meeting.

New Business

After Hours Library Access- Dylan and Sherry would like to have the library available in certain circumstances for use after hours. Dylan expressed that she would like to have the library be a shared community space. The board is concerned about safety, privacy laws, and having a clear policy on after hours use. More discussion is needed.

Open discussion on the best way to keep the board informed about programs at the library.

Sheri expressed interest in attending the next Vermont Libraries Trustee meeting, need to find information on the event.

Meeting adjourned.

Next meeting on October 15, 2014 at the Barnet Public Library.