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STAMFORD COMMUNITY LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Minutes of Aug 12, 2021

Members present: Caroline Burch, Rebecca Gamari, Linda Rodovick, Tyna Senecal, Danielle Smith

School Board Liaison: Helen Fields

Visitor: Jen Ryan

The meeting was called to order at 5:01 p.m.

The minutes of July 15, 2021 were approved with the addition of Jen Ryan as a visitor.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Tyna noted that we did not have a line item for the grant money we received for technology. She spoke with Lori and she suggested we simply create a new one.

The new Mass MoCA pass was paid for, but we still have not received it. Tyna mentioned that we only budgeted \$100 for subscriptions and would need to increase this next year to account for this line item.

LIBRARY REPORT:

Jen discussed her revised plan for use of the grant funds to include a tv, gaming system as well as books and furniture. This would allow for more after school programs, easier access for viewing movies and could be utilized by the school as well. She mentioned that the funds should be dispersed in October, but reporting would not be until 2022.

PROGRAMMING: The Great Vermont Dragon Egg Hunt is taking place in late September in place of the Fairy Tale Festival. This is a community scavenger hunt. We have received one egg to hide and one stuffed dragon prize and are excited to participate. Smith and Ryan discussed creating clues for separate age groups and having additional prizes available.

RENOVATION UPDATE:

Jen noted that we have an overflow of juvenile fiction books and will need to add back the fifth shelf to each section. Each of these will need to be cut to size and painted first.

If at all possible, we would like to have Mark extend the wall shelves to the door on the north wall. Tyna will speak with Mark tomorrow morning. We still need to finish painting behind the remaining removeable shelves to prep them for the eventual new shelving.

Caroline is going to purchase two frames for the Vermont maps that we would like to hang.

Beckie and Caroline are hoping to remove some of the remaining weeded books and take them to Arlington for the Better World Book's shipment.

School Board Liaison:

Helen plans to compile a list of items purchased through the summer camp grant and provide it to us to see what we plan to keep. She questioned us about what items we could potentially store. Unfortunately, we have very limited storage, but would certainly see what items would be useful to keep and which it would make more sense to pass on to someone else.

OTHER:

We are hopeful to have a soft opening in conjunction with the Community Harvest Supper on August 28th.

Caroline was able to contact Barb Martin concerning the Mullett Fund. Ideally, she would like to see the funds used for something kid orientated. The current balance is 2,939.

There was some discussion concerning what our hours would look like when we reopened. As previously discussed, we will be closing one hour earlier on Tuesday/Thursday in an effort to coordinate with the town office hours. The idea of opening an hour earlier to make up for this was met with hesitation as parking during the school day is a huge issue. Jen suggested we allow for remote work instead. The remaining hours would stay relatively unchanged with the possible exception of closing at 3 on Friday instead of 4

Caroline is going to forward the lending policy for laptops for review.

*Motion to adjourn at 6:15 p.m. made by Burch, seconded by Rodovick

