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STAMFORD COMMUNITY LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Minutes of July 15, 2021

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

School Board Liaison: Helen Fields

The meeting was called to order at 5:03 p.m.

Members officially welcomed school board liaison Helen Fields to the meeting. We briefly discussed her role and the ways we hope to increase communication and create a stronger partnership between the school and library.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Tyna was able to contact First Lite in an effort to clear up why we were receiving bills. The account has been closed and we should not be getting anymore. The new shelving was paid to VCI (\$4,876). Costs for the technology upgrades came in slightly over the amount we received from our \$1500 grant (\$1670). Tyna has not had any luck in reaching out to the Mullets in regards to using the funds from their donation for a window seat. Caroline will reach out to someone in the family she knows to see if she can make some progress.

LIBRARY REPORT:

Jen discussed the guidelines for the ARPA grant. There is a \$2000 non-construction grant available. The application process is not difficult, but does requires we submit a plan detailing how we are going to utilize the funds. Board members decided it made the most sense to ask for funds for books and furniture.

Jen was excited to announce we have our second baby basket awaiting the arrival of our newest community member.

PROGRAMMING:

Jen reached out to the Southern Vermont Museum about an outdoor program in late August. The program will be paid for with our performance grant. We will reach out to Pastor Jim from the Stamford Community Church about using the pavilion in the event of inclement weather.

Helen discussed some of the items purchased through the summer camp grant that the library will be able to utilize in the future including 2 canopies, an outdoor screen and art supplies.

Jen suggested we use our remaining programming funds for a grand re-opening celebration. Everyone agreed that was a great idea. A motion was made by Rodovick to use funds for the grand reopening, seconded by Burch: all in favor 5 ayes, 0 nays.

RENOVATION UPDATE:

Caroline will reach out to Mark to see if we can narrow down a date for the back wall shelving installation now that the boards have all been cut to size. Another painting work bee will be set after she hears back.

OTHER: We would like to schedule a time to update our policies and procedures. Caroline and Linda suggested creating a small working group to begin this very time-consuming process.

*The next meeting is scheduled for August 12th, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.

*Motion to adjourn at 6:05 p.m. made by Burch, seconded by Rodovick