

TOWN OF STAMFORD, VERMONT
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STAMFORD COMMUNITY LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Minutes of April 6th, 2021

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

Visitors: Jennifer Ryan, Rebecca Gamari

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

The minutes of both March 2nd and the Special Meeting of March 16th were accepted. Motion to approve made by Senecal, seconded by Burch.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The bank reports are awaiting approval by Lori. Tyna and Lori are working hard to consolidate some of the categories to better reflect current use/activity. Most notable was a "special grant" category that include money left over from a previous year's town appropriation that needed to be corrected.

LIBRARY REPORT:

The library received the funds for the 1500 technology grant we were awarded. The quote for three computers and set up from Dan of Total Access Computers came in just below this. Jen discussed the pros and cons of laptops verse chrome-books with Dan. Since chrome-books have the ability to clear data after each session and would allow for greater patron privacy, they were chosen. Dan will set the circulation desktop up with a wired connection and get a wireless access point for the others. We are awaiting a date for this.

Jen and Danielle both attended a virtual meeting that discussed the Build America's Libraries Act as well as the American Rescue Plan Act. Libraries were encouraged to discuss possible uses for any grants that could become available. There is a virtual town meeting with Bernie Sanders next Thursday from 2-3 for anyone interested in attending.

PROGRAMMING:

The books for 1000 Books Before Kindergarten have finally arrived and the bags will be ready to go shortly. Jen made up our first baby basket for Darlene Lancto's new baby boy. We are excited to start this tradition and would love help in people sharing news of any new babies within our local communities.

On April 28th, Karen Kuranda will be joining us for a Zoom quilt talk to honor the women's suffrage movement. We are thrilled to host what will surely be an exciting, informative program.

OTHER: Renovations continue as we await our new shelving. We will be having another work bee session this Sunday to complete the second coat of primer.

The quote for additional work from Jim Barrett came in as follows:

Closet: 2800

Trim: 1200

Supporting Dividers: 1000

Window Seat: 1500

The board decided they would like to move forward with everything except the closet. A motion was made by CB to approve this work up to \$4000, seconded by TS. (4 ayes, 0 nays). Motion approved.

Smith suggested we take the opportunity to make the wall shelving all the same height as it is currently three different heights. After some discussion, we decided to move the shorter more substantial bookcase closest to the door, reducing the transitions to one, and making it much less visually jarring. Smith questioned the board about a mural above the windows. The board agreed this is a great idea and would like to seek out a grant if possible.

*The next meeting is scheduled for May12th, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.

*Motion to adjourn at 6:16 p.m. made by Burch, seconded by Rodovick