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STAMFORD COMMUNITY LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Minutes of March 17, 2022

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

Visitor: Jen Ryan

School Board Liaison: Betsy Parrington

The meeting was called to order at 5:27 p.m.

Caroline welcomed Betsy Parrington to the meeting as our new school board liaison. The board stressed the importance of clear communication and transparency between the library and school board. We are excited to have Betsy with us and are thankful for her time.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Tyna noted there was little to update everyone with. She did point out that checks were ordered and put under the line item "supplies".

LIBRARY REPORT:

Jen was finally able to get in touch with someone from VCI. As suspected, the department was shut down as a result of COVID. Jen asked that they reach out to us as soon as they have an estimated date for completion.

We received an air sensor from the department of libraries as part of a grant. We monitored the readings over the course of a couple of weeks and found that the number increased into an area that was considered dangerous whenever there were more than a couple of people in the library. While we are hopeful that new windows help to improve the air quality, we would like to look into other means of improving air circulation. We questioned Parrington about whether or not the school had already done any tests on air quality evaluations. Betsy was unsure and plans to ask the board and get back to us.

Mr. L said the school would be happy to contribute some money towards the Dungeons and Dragons after school program here in the library. We plan to use it to help pay for game manuals as well as snacks.

Now that she has much more experience, Jen would like to work on a new website for the library that better reflects the updates we have made.

As we move beyond the final phases of our current COVID-19 policy, both librarians would like further guidance from the board on how to deal with sickness or close contact to

someone that has contracted the virus. Specifically, how will we keep the library open in the event both of us are unavailable. Likewise, in the event we need to be out, we would like the option to make up those hours remotely. The board decided to schedule a separate meeting to discuss this in greater detail. For now, we continue to stress the importance of common sense guidelines that do not require masking but recommend them if people are not feeling well. As always, curbside pick-up and delivery are still available. Jen will put together a phase 5 of our COVID policy to add to our current one.

RENOVATION UPDATE:

On several occasions, we have had various people in the library looking at the windows that the school board plans to replace. Smith noted that it would be nice to have some collaboration between boards to ensure this moves smoothly and that the work is completed in a manner that makes the most sense possible, especially considering we have plans to build a window seat there.

We would like to have Mark Daigle back in the library to provide a quote for the last three sections of bookcases against the far wall.

*Motion to adjourn at 6:12 p.m. made by Burch, seconded by Rodovick