

SINCLAIRVILLE FREE LIBRARY BOARD MINUTES

August 30, 2023

OPENING: Bill Newton called the meeting to order August 30, 2023 at 6:05 PM with reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Lisa Greeley, Beth Hadley, Peggy Minckler, Bill Newton, Roslin Newton Larry Barmore, Darla Frost Kianos, Linda Bartholomew, Jessica Emmott, Barbara Mallette of Stockton - Cassadaga Libraries

MEMBERS ABSENT: Betty Jean Ridout, Candi George

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR: Barbara Mallette shared updated information on the Sustainability Budget vote seeking school budget line item in May 2024. Figures will be based on 2021 Annual Reports. These must reflect requests for funds that will sustain the Sinclairville, Stockton and Cassadaga libraries, to be submitted by the end of November 2023. The collaborative library representatives are meeting with Interim Superintendent Dave Davison of Cassadaga Valley Schools on 9/11. Under education law 279. Libraries may be asked to submit a petition.

Messaging will focus on the importance of the library in the community, reasons for reduced funding and urgency of replacing lost income, educating the voting public, identifying key stakeholders to approach.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The July 26, 2023 minutes were approved with corrections. Motion to accept by Linda Bartholomew, seconded by Peggy Minckler

FINANCIAL REPORT: Darla Frost Kianos moved to approve, Roslin Newton seconded, motion carried

MANAGER'S REPORT: The report was reviewed.

1. CCLS Annual Meeting will be October 11 in Ellicottville. A trustee can attend.
2. Board President keeps track of Trustee Trainings, two hours of Trustee training are required in addition to the annual Sexual Harassment training.
3. Need volunteers for baked goods table October 5-7
4. Face painters are arranged for the history fair 11-1
5. Budget committee will include Larry Barmore and Darla Frost Kianos. Library bookkeeper will be invited, usually attends.

Motion to accept by by Darla Frost Kianos, seconded by Peggy Minckler, motion carried

SPECIAL COMMITTEES: Building and Grounds potential committee members will be invited for the September meeting.

CORRESPONDENCE: No Report

1. Linda did have inquiries about whether the Victorian Tea would be a potential in the future

OLD / UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Items are being purchased for the chicken BBQ
2. Ros will be selling chickens
3. RSVP volunteers are scheduled for 11am

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Annual appeal letter is being revised. Beth is working on it.
2. Bill will inquire of Director Jan which monies can be allocated to the school funding initiative.

OTHER: There is discussion of a 'branch' library / Reading Room in the Gerry Town Hall. Uncirculated books weeded from the current SFL collection can be donated to create the collection.

Historical materials from three local historians have been offered to the Sinclairville Free Library. These could then be housed at the library. Larry will approach the key figures regarding the plan.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:20pm . Moved by Lisa Greeley and seconded by Roslin Newton. The next meeting will be held on September 27, 6:00 PM in the library.

Minutes submitted by: Lisa Greeley

Approved: __9-27-23__.