

SINCLAIRVILLE FREE LIBRARY BOARD MINUTES

September 27, 2023

OPENING: Bill Newton called the meeting to order September 27, 2023 at 6:02 PM with reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Lisa Greeley, Beth Hadley, Peggy Minckler, Bill Newton, Roslin Newton Larry Barmore, Betty Jean Ridout, Darla Frost Kianos, Candi George, Linda Bartholomew, Mike Greeley, Greg Little

PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR; Bill Newton discussed what the Buildings and Grounds Committee has done in the past. Options include washing the building, taking care of gardens, trim hedges, ice build up, sidewalk safety, furnace filters, carpenter bees. An annual walk around by the committee would be planned, Beth would maintain a list of needed tasks.

Current needs include outdoor sign, broken window, water spigot, broken siding. Mike Greeley and Greg Little agreed to be members.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The August 30, 2023 minutes were approved with corrections. Motion to accept by Darla Frost Kianos, seconded by Roslin Newton, motion carried

FINANCIAL REPORT: Darla Frost Kianos moved to approve, Linda Bartholomew seconded, motion carried

MANAGER'S REPORT: The report was reviewed.

1. Trustee training was reviewed. Two hours of training are required for each trustee
2. Annual appeal letter was shared and approved with minor corrections
3. Beth would like to order the color copier, motion to approve made by Candi George, seconded by Linda Bartholomew, motion carried
4. Next month will be annual budget vote and election of officers
5. Thursday Oct 19th 4:30 is the budget preparation for the school board
6. Cemetery tour will not happen this year, potentially next October
7. Beth received a call from Robert Kochersberger regarding book banning. Beth was able to answer that book banning was not a problem at this branch.
8. School budget meeting will be November 19th
9. Volunteer appreciation will be explored for April 16th. Candi will confirm
10. Beth got an email from ALA to apply for round two of grant funds for accessibility. Linda Bartholomew moved to apply, ---seconded, motion carried

Motion to accept by by Lisa Greeley, seconded by Peggy Minckler, motion carried

SPECIAL COMMITTEES:

Building and Grounds:

1. Front needs to be dug up and replanted, shrubs need to be trimmed
2. Some downspouts need to be replaced
3. The window needs a pane replaced
4. Jessica can help choose plantings to replace

Strategic Planning:

1. Committee met on Sept 11
2. Board members will review the plan for the next meeting. Roslin will distribute draft for board review at October meeting

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Heritage resident Lorraine shared that she attends the book club and memoir writing, said she thoroughly enjoys the clubs and appreciates Beth

OLD / UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Roslin and Bill had a very positive meeting with the CVCS superintendent. He was very supportive of the budget issue
2. BBQ made about \$2000. Some funds can be used for school funding education
3. Library will be invited to participate in next year's History Fair. Motion made to have the library open until 3:00 on that date by Roslin Newton, seconded by Candi George, motion carried.
4. Larry has approached Holmquist family, John Sipos and Walter Waite regarding historical donations. Some materials will be donated, space is an issue. The Gerry Town Hall may be an option. Larry and Linda will approach the Gerry Town Board Oct 12th about the reading room concept there

NEW BUSINESS:

1. A nominating committee will not be needed as last year's officers volunteered to continue into 2024.
2. Volunteers are needed to present to various organizations about the school funding issues. Park Church, PTO and Girl Scouts will be visited by Candi, Jessica will visit the Baptist church, Lisa will attend Town of Gerry and Gerry Church, Linda will present to Heritage Village, Larry will present at Valley Historical Society, Town of Charlotte, Village of Sinclairville.

ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:21 PM. Moved by Lisa Greeley and seconded by Betty Jean Ridout . The next meeting will be held on October 26, 6:00 PM in the library.

Minutes submitted by: Lisa Greeley

Approved: _____