

Draft: Monthly Meeting of the Wardsboro Public Library Trustees
Thursday, March 24, 2022 7:00 P.M.

Call to Order: 7:03 P.M.

Attendees: Library Director Lizzie Ingraham, Trustees Steve Agin, Steve Herd, Bob Stupp, Sheri Lewis, Karina Martin, Friends of the Wardsboro Library (“FOWL”) members Paul Specter and Christy Foote-Smith

Changes to the Agenda: Book sale in April

Public Comments: FOWL members present to update Board on FOWL’s vote to dissolve under the conditions: (1) Selectboard accepts the Library building and (2) if a Town vote is required, it is a positive result. The purpose of FOWL was to purchase, renovate, and maintain a building for use as a library for the benefit of the Town and that mission is complete. Board expresses its sincere gratitude for the efforts and dedication of the FOWL members these 20 years.

Approval of Previous Minutes: Motion to receive draft minutes by S. Lewis, seconded by B. Stupp. Unanimous approval with no changes.

Treasurer’s Report, B. Stupp: Motion to receive report by K. Martin, seconded by B. Stupp. Review of financials. Media Center grant funds have been received as project is complete. Report unanimously approved with no changes.

Library Director’s Report, L. Ingraham: update on circulation (checkouts since last meeting averaged 13 per day) with an average of 14 patrons per day; The After School Program continues to be a success with 23 students enrolled for March including new-to-the-Library families. Some Program volunteers are fingerprinted. Board discussed whether all volunteers in the library during the program should be fingerprinted and decided that, since the library is open to the public, it is not necessary. The Director retains the right to refuse any volunteer. She will also reach out to the Town regarding playground mulch; The Library will partner with Green Up Day Coordinators to offer an afternoon event on May 7 at the library including a book give away for children and book sale; The Library received two shipments from Amazon Wishlist, very much appreciated.

Maintenance Report, S. Agin: No update.

Old Business: Fundraising appeal: has raised less money than last year so far.

Status of Grants: Vermont Arts Council grant of \$3,606 received; Director applied for \$300 in grants for summer programming, such as presenters or performers.

Town Garage: received letter from Town, Board may use the space for this year and the Selectboard will revisit the issue each year.

Mask Status: consistent with the current school policy, masking is voluntary

New Business: Santa Chair: Library will be receiving the Santa chair from Cris Tarnay and Director plans to display it for use with a plaque acknowledging Ms. Tarnay’s contributions to the Library; S. Agin will hold a book sale in April and May, during plant sale; the Board intends to hold a volunteer appreciation event this summer; Director will finalize a public use policy for next meeting.

Adjourned at 9:07 on motion by S. Agin.

Next meeting will be held April 21, 2021.