

Easton Library Board of Trustees Meeting
August 5, 2019, 7:30 pm

In attendance: Linda, Jennifer, Peter, Pat, Chelsie

Guest: Meghan Phalen, Town of Easton Historian

- Meghan reported plans for a program and rededication of Burton Hall are coming together. Date has been set for September 22, 2019 from 11:30am-3pm. History of Burton Hall will be told through displays of old photos, books, posters, and other memorabilia at Burton Hall. A community pig roast and group photo in front of Burton Hall is planned. Library staff will scan local photos to be displayed.

Approval of June 3, 2019 minutes: Minutes accepted as amended. Moved by Chelsie and seconded by Peter.

Treasurer's Report: Motion by Pat and seconded by Chelsie, approved.

Grant Report:

- The final part of the NYS Construction Grant has been completed.
- The Special Legislative Grant for the projector was sent in by Peter. Peter reported the library received a check for \$1,250 out of the total \$5,000 awarded. Jennifer has been in touch with Jesse at Parkway Music to purchase the right projector for our Community Room space.

Director's Report:

- Jennifer showed the trustees the library's updated website. Policies and resources are now posted.
- Carol Reeve, one of our Story Hour volunteers is concerned about the low number of children attending the program in recent years. As of now, the plan is to begin in September.
- The Schuylerville Garden Club gave the library a bag for children to take out that contains seeds, soil, pots and books about growing plants.
- Movies could be shown at the library if a license was purchased for \$319 from Movie Licensing USA along with other SALS libraries. Trustees agreed not to proceed.
- Joint Automation cost for 2020 will be increased by \$209.23.
- Margaret Brand weeded on 8/3/19. She reported the bushes need to be trimmed. Pat will contact Ron Hansen to see if he is able to do the trimming as usual.

- Summer Reading Programs were well attended.
July 10-The Puppet People performed The Elephant Child - 42 attendees, July 17- Songs for Kids All Ages with Bill Ackerbauer- 20 attendees, Reptile Adventure with Jessica Shea- 104 attendees.
- Panel discussion led by Aaron Gabriel - Making Solar Farms Compatible with Agriculture - 46 adults attended.

Corresponding Secretary Report:

- Thank you letters for donations to the library continue to be written.
- Thank you notes were sent to: 1) Fire Chief Craig Hansen for use of portable air conditioners to cool Burton Hall on July 10th during the puppet show. 2) To Sharon Archambeault for opening up the firehouse and helping Jennifer transport the air conditioners to Burton Hall.
- To complete the Stewart's Holiday Match, Pat emailed photos of the puppet show.

Old Business:

- Acquisition of land is progressing as expected.

New Business:

- A Whistle Blower Policy written by Chelsie, read. Motion by Pat and seconded by Peter, approved.
- Policies- Linda read a list of policies that are required. Most have been done.
- Long Range Plan- Linda, Jennifer, and Pat will continue to work on this.

Next Board Mtg., Sept. 16, 2019, 7:30pm