

Easton Library Board Meeting
March 9, 2020, 7:30 pm

In attendance: Aaron, Mary Jane, Jennifer, Peter, Patricia McFee (dnm9580@aol.com), John, Chelsea

Election of Officers: Motion by Aaron Gabriel to elect the following slate of officers, and approved unanimously.

President – Linda Borden
Vice President – Mary Jane Connor
Treasurer – Peter Read
Secretary – Aaron Gabriel
Corresponding Secretary – Patricia McFee
Buildings & Grounds Person– John O’Brien

Approval of February 10, 2020 minutes: Accepted as corrected.

Treasurer’s Report:

- Motion by Patricia to accept the Treasurer’s Report, second by Mary Jane, approved.
- John O’Brien will be the alternate person to sign checks when Peter is not available.

Director’s Report:

- Jennifer attended LEAP training, which may take the place of Polaris in the future.
- Mailbox still needs to be installed.
- Cary Woerner visiting Greenwich Library and we are invited to meet with her. Jennifer and Peter will attend, July 12th.
- Prices are increasing at Baker & Taylor book vendors. Some books not available on Amazon are available at Baker & Taylor.
- No one used the pass for the USS Slater Museum, so it will not be purchased this year.
- Joint Automation letter signed by Mary Jane.
- Estimates received for floor cleaning. Motion by John to hire Brian Connelly to scrub and re-coat meeting room and bathroom floors. Second by Peter, approved.
- Sound system has been installed as well as the projector and blueray (by Chris Bailey). Did a good job.
- Corona virus. Discussed signage for the library and keeping the collection safe. Jennifer will buy some disinfectant wipes, tissues, etc. Any board members available next Thursday, March 19th, please meet with Jennifer to re-assess the state of the corona virus situation.

Old Business:

- Review of Annual Meeting: Potluck was very positive. (Bring recipes with dishes next year). Watched the slide show during dinner. The library cloth bags were nice. Had some new visitors, which was nice. 21 people filled the room as it was setup. If more people attend, set up would have to be different so people sit on both sides of the tables (to double the seating space).

New Business:

- Ideas from the annual meeting suggestion jar: Easton music festival; flash pedestrian sign and cross walk from Burton Hall; more computer classes and website development; happy 141st Easton Library birthday party during the summer, strawberry festival, select favorite item from the collection; language classes; provide a keyboard; more potluck fundraisers/ movie game story nights / dances / summer picnics; A program about the census, why it is important, what it means, what changes have taken place in the US population since the last census; would be good to attack & organize the local history (archive materials) & a grant that provides expert help would be great; a coffee night to socialize
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Next Board Mtg. April 20, 2020, Monday, 7:30 pm.