Easton Library Board Meeting September 13th, 2021 @ 7:30PM

In Attendance: Jennifer DeCarlo (Director), Linda Borden, Mary Jane Connor, Nellie Lovenduski, Peter Read, Patricia McFee, Chelsie Henderson, John O'Brien(absent)

Approval of July 12th, 2021 meeting minutes: Minutes reviewed and approved. Motion passed unanimously.

Approval of August 9th, 2021 meeting minutes: Minutes reviewed and approved. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Report reviewed. Chelsie motioned to approve the report, Linda second the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

President's Report: As Washington County is in the High Transmission Rate category, all patrons and staff are to wear a mask at all times. The Governor has relaxed meeting rules; we can meet in-person, on-line, or a combination of both.

Director's Report:

- Appreciative of Margaret Brand, who has planted flowers in front of the library.
- Nadia Cristy will be the new story hour instructor. She starts on Wednesday, September 15th.
- Hoopla subscription started in August. Encouraging community patrons to sign up and take advantage of the service.
- Happy to see library patrons using the now, free fax service.
- Owen White made a video showcasing the library. Looking to make a few edits and use for promotional purposes.
- Abby White continued to be a weekly teen volunteer until August. Her services were greatly appreciated. Abby may volunteer this fall if her schedule is open.
- 14 students participated in and completed the summer reading program, reading a combined total of 464 books. Althea Stanger won the Djembe. All participants received a gift certificate to the Battenkill Bookstore, courtesy of the Friends of the Library.
- Amaris O. Lynip, staff employee from the library will begin training to be a notary through SALS.
- Author, Matthew Witten will be at the library September 14th @ 6:30PM
- The Easton and Greenwich libraries will be collaborating to participate in the Great Give Back Program. Both libraries will collect clothing for adults in Warren and Washington Counties from October 16th – 30th.
- Easton Library applied for Talking Books and braille books through NY state.
- The library adopted a cow through an on-line agricultural educational site to give patrons a virtual, educational experience.

Old Business:

• Received laptop purchased through SALS for use by the Treasurer.

New Business

• Discussed the forecasted budget for 2022. Mary Jane motioned to approve the budget, Chelsie second the motion. The motion carries to accept the budget.

Next board meeting will be October 18th, 2021 @ 7:30PM