

Meeting Acushnet Public Library Board of Trustees

June 15, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.

In attendance: Jennifer Alves, Chair

Diane Ferreira

Nancy Francis

Danielle Guillemette

Jeri Howland, Secretary

Stephen Reale

Dina St. Pierre, Library Director

Secretary's Report

A motion was made by Nancy to accept the secretary's report from May 12, 2021 as well as the executive sessions of March 27, 2019, April 3, 2020, and May 12, 2021. The motion was seconded by Diane. All voted in favor.

Budget Report

The budget submitted today is up-to-date. There are only a few weeks left in the fiscal year. Dina has requested an interdepartmental transfer of \$2000. It would go from the salary to the operating line. The library will have an overage of \$5000 for the year and it will be returned to the town. Stephen moved to accept the budget and Diane seconded. All voted in favor.

New Business

The annual selection of officers was held. Nancy nominated Jennifer to remain Chair and Stephen seconded. All voted in favor and she accepted. Diane nominated Jeri to remain Secretary and Nancy seconded. All voted in favor and she accepted.

The library is still currently open for temporary hours and the takeout window is still in operation. Full reopening means the takeout window has to close. Over 6700 people have been serviced through this window. July 3rd will be the end of the takeout window but some accommodations will be made if necessary. Also, starting on June 21st the library will now be open 45 hours each week. Stephen moved to approve the revised (increased) library hours and Nancy seconded. All voted in favor.

Any in-person programs this summer will be outside. The cookbook and book clubs will resume and be held outside. There is a possibility of a concert series this summer but all indoor programs will be on hold until at least the fall.

There was a small leak in the basement. The Building Department and the DPW seem to have fixed the problem. There is no smell and no visible water.

Director's Report/Announcements

The summer reading program will launch on June 28, 2021. Details soon.

The library has received from the state a grant for five hotspots from T-Mobile for one year. This will probably start in July

The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be Tuesday, July 13, 2021 at 4 p.m.

Nancy moved to adjourn at 5:30 p.m. and Diane seconded. All voted in favor.

Respectfully submitted,

Jeri Howland

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