Meeting Acushnet Public Library Board of Trustees

Tuesday May 31, 2022 at 4 p.m.

In attendance: Jennifer Alves, Chair

Diane Ferreira Nancy Francis Danielle Guillemette Joan Howland, Secretary Stephen Reale Dina St. Pierre, Library Director

# Secretary's Report

A motion was made by Stephen to accept the secretary's report from May 3, 2022. The motion was seconded by Diane. All voted in favor.

# **Budget Report**

The salary line is as printed with no changes. The operating budget is 85.8% spent. Expenses from now to the end of the fiscal year will need the approval of the town administrator. Some money may be returned to the town if requests are not approved and we will have to use state aid. Stephen moved to accept the budget report and Nancy seconded. All voted in favor.

# **Old Business**

The electricity for the pavilion has not been completely finished. Hopefully, it can be completed in the next two weeks so it can be used on June 13, 2022 for the middle school chorus concert.

Dina will start looking for quotes for cameras for the pavilion. The hope is to expand on the security cameras already in place at the rest of the library.

Dina consulted with the Historical Commission regarding the repair of the awning on the front of the building. As long as it stays exactly the same, it is acceptable to be repaired. Jim Marot is able to repair the awning this summer.

#### **New Business**

The annual election of officers was held. Nancy nominated Jennifer to remain Chair and Diane seconded. All voted in favor and she accepted. Steve nominated Joan to remain as secretary and Diane seconded. All voted in favor and she accepted.

Plans for summer reading are being finalized and details will be released in the next few weeks. There will be a ten week concert series in the pavilion, primarily sponsored by the Friends of the Acushnet Public Library. There is also an eight week family series of events on Mondays at 2 p.m. Other upcoming events include not so spooky stories, Harry Potter birthday party and the return of Lego club. The library and Acushnet Elementary School are doing a bookmark contest for 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> grade students with

the summer reading theme of Read Beyond the Beaten Path. The principals narrowed the 229 entries down to 10 per grade and the public will vote for the top 5 in each grade. Winners will be announced June 13<sup>th</sup> and those bookmarks will be printed and given out during the summer reading program which kicks off on Wednesday, June 22, 2022.

# **Director's Report**

Dina went to AES for the unveiling of a non-fiction book about Acushnet as written by Mrs. Silva's Kindergarten class and was the special guest for the May PBIS awards winners.

The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be Tuesday, June 21, 2022 at 4 p.m.

Nancy moved to adjourn and go into executive session. Stephen seconded. All voted in favor. The meeting will not resume after the executive session.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Howland