

Randolph Public Library

Trustees' Meeting, Wed Feb 23rd, 2022, 6.30pm

Present: Karen Bradley, Denise Demers, Rhonda Stitt, Steve Teczar, Heather Wiley and Yvonne Jenkins (librarian)

1. Rhonda made a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting, Steve seconded, all were in favor.

2. Treasurer's Report

Town Checking	\$6,385.90
RPL Checking	\$8,269.23
Building Fund CD	\$19,034.95

The budget for FY 2021-2022 (\$22,150) was approved by the selectmen and will go forward to the town vote on March 8th.

Invoices were circulated for approval.

3. Friends Group Report

There was no Friends' report for this meeting. The trustees suggested that Kayla (secretary) should only need to attend the trustees' meeting quarterly as the Friends' meetings are just held every 3 months. Steve recognized Kayla for helping Yvonne with the Zoom set up for the recent virtual program with Anders Morley.

4. Librarian's Report

All of the ipads have been received and activated. Yvonne attended a one-on-one training with an Apple associate which was very helpful.

The library received the lighting audit from Energy Management Consultants. Rick Umiker and Yvonne met with the town selectmen to explore the possibility of exchanging the whole building's light bulbs with LEDs. The selectmen suggested that a warrant article be presented at town meeting with the goal of raising and appropriating \$20,000 in a capital reserve fund for energy efficiency projects in the future.

Yvonne met with Granite State Solar, Melissa Elander, Rick Umiker and Lauren Bradley about the possibility of solar panels on the library building. The report from GSS has yet to be received.

The recent virtual programs were well attended with 40 and 22 participants. The next program will be on Wed March 2nd at 6pm, "Building a Winter Wellness Toolbox", to be presented by a clinical psychologist.

Kevin Rousseau has been most responsive to the need for increased snow removal/shovelling at the library. There have been no issues lately.

The Wood Diaries were bound at the NH Bindery in Bow, NH at a cost of \$500. Yvonne will write an article about them for the April edition of the Mountain View, and also solicit items for the Lowe's cabinet in the White Mountain Room. Yvonne is working on guidelines for what items will be appropriate to include.

Anne Wells donated a framed print of the White Mountains. The trustees acknowledged this generous donation.

Edith Tucker and Richard Boisvert will be donating 2 copies of the latest issue of the 2021 "New Hampshire Archeologist" about the Potter archeological site.

5. Annual Book and Bake Sale

The Book and Bake sale will be held on Saturday July 23rd from 9-4pm. It was deemed not necessary to hold the sale on Sunday also.

6. Summer "Porches of Randolph" fundraiser

Steve reported that there are plans to have a "Porches of Randolph" fundraiser in July and August, where Randolphites and friends would pay to visit the porches of volunteer residents. This is being organized by Redza and Keith Dempster. The proceeds would be divided among the library, the Randolph Mountain Club and the Randolph Foundation. The library has been asked to support this endeavor by endorsing and advertising the event. Steve made a motion that the trustees support this project, Rhonda seconded, all were in favor.

7. Continuing and Other Business

There is still a need for 1-2 more alternate trustees. Yvonne has someone in mind and will contact that person to assess interest.

Denise had mentioned at last meeting that the trustees should resume policy reviews, now that Covid is dwindling. Yvonne suggested the Collection Development Policy, which she will email to the group prior to the next meeting.

Covid is lessening in Coos County. There was discussion about easing masking protocols in the library, but it was felt that the library should follow town hall guidelines. It was decided to wait until after town meeting, keeping the current policy in place, and reassess at the next trustees' meeting in March.

8. The next meeting will be held on Wed March 16th at 6.30pm.

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 8.05pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Wiley, secretary