

## **WILLIAMSTOWN LIBRARY**

### **MEETING MINUTES – TUES., APRIL 13, 2021**

All trustees in attendance with the exception of excused Terry DeMassey who was traveling

Director Bev Ripka read the March minutes. Motion to accept made by Cindy Arquette, seconded by Jody Hunt, all in favor.

Treasurers Report presented by Treasurer, Cindy Arquette. Jean Farmer made the motion to accept, Alice Trumble seconded, all in favor.

The Five-Year Plan was revisited as to what has been accomplished thus far. Two two-drawer filing cabinets were purchased to replace the four-drawer in the office, topped by table top to allow more room to work. The staff bulletin board was moved to another wall. Shelving was built above the desk with plans to add more shelving in the place formerly occupied by the bulletin board. The 8 folding tables have been ordered and received (stored in Jean's garage). An air purifier was purchased and installed (this was not part of the 5-year plan).

The June fundraiser entailed a long discussion – subject to change:

- Friday, June 4 from 2 to 6 p.m. – book sale and yard sale
- Saturday, June 5 from 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. – book sale, yard sale, chicken BBQ, bake sale
- Hard cover books \$1 and soft cover 50 cents; at end of sale bag some books for \$3
- Begin asking people in May for baked goods
- Sue will remain at library overnight Friday
- Tables and tents all outdoors; Sue with chicken under overhang; Terry with cash register
- Holding everything outdoors will keep us from having to tape off book shelves as well as safety precaution
- No Parking Sign at end of driveway; Jean is allowing parking on her lot so we will need a sign there
- Upstairs and shed are full to capacity
- Thursday night we will set up all tables and tents
- Opening later on Friday morning will give us time to carry & set everything out
- Ads in QCN & Oswego Co. Weeklies, flyers distributed, FB and website

NCLS update given by Director Bev Ripka as well as Bullet Aid Proposal State of New York; she sent in letter to Senator Ritchie & Assemblyman Barclay, hoping some of the money will come our way.

Library Statistics were distributed and discussed. Attendance is improving slowly. We are still the only library in the 65 libraries fully open since August.

Zoom meetings continue to be held: April 13 with Oswego Co. Library Council – next meeting in person at Williamstown as well as zoom on Thursday, May 13 at 6:30. Linda from Parish will bring her new laptop and Jessica from Sandy Creek will also arrive early so we can try and set up the zoom using the TV in the meeting room. Tuesday, April 20 is JAB & Directors meeting. Wed., June 9 will be OCLC chat at 10 a.m.

SRP – TALES & TAILS: Director Bev Ripka informed the trustees some of the ideas being entertained by other libraries. One interesting idea was giving out map with Oswego Co. libraries highlighted; children would be given a passport and visit some of these libraries. Each time their passport would be stamped and they would be given a prize with perhaps a kindle given at the end for the child with most stamps on their passport. We intend to do something this year even if it only entails outside projects however we will not hire any entertainer. This goes with the safari theme.

We no longer quarantine our books; they are discharged when they come in either in person or drop box. We still take all precautions with masks and each shift wiping down everything.

Bev mentioned Bernie the artist calling; Alice contacted him since the meeting and found out he works with pencil drawings only and includes adults and children. His cost is \$275. Telephone: 315-335-7670.

Bev is weeding our books prior to the sale: adult hard cover, YA and Juvenile have been done; she is now working on adult non-fiction.

Williamstown Field Days are scheduled for July 15, 16, 17 and it looks like the Sandy Creek Fair will also take place this year. Williamstown was fortunate to fill in on a cancellation thereby giving them better dates than previously held.

Motion to adjourn was made by Jody Hunt and seconded by Alice Trumble. Meeting closed at 7:30 p.m.

Next meeting: Tuesday, May 11 at 6 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Bev Ripka, Director