

Williamstown Library Board Minutes
May 9, 2023

All board members were present with the exception of Jody Hunt and Alice Trumble. Both members were excused at this time. Director Laurie Hale was also present.

Meeting was called to order by the temporary Vice President, Jean Farmer at 6:00pm.

Approval of the agenda with motions made by Jean Farmer and Kate Dorn. Motion carried.

The minutes of the April 11th meeting were approved with motions made by Sue Billington and Cherie Tietjen. Motion carried.

The financial report was reviewed and approved with motions made by Terry DeMassey and Sue Billington. Motion carried.

The Director presented her report that included an update on the new Polaris Program and the various new programs being held in our library. All of the community related programs are being well attended and enjoyed by those attending. We have an incentive for the adults to sign out “never before signed out” books from the library. A gift certificate to Buck’s will be handed out at the end of this promotion through a drawing of names.

On June 7th , after our Book Sale, NCLS will pick up the books that didn’t sell, along with any old and damaged books. There will be posters displayed during the sale informing the community that NCLS will take their old and damaged books, too. They may leave them at the library Monday, June 5th and Tuesday, June 6th only for that purpose.

As always, Laurie continues to attend meetings (Zoom and in person) to improve our library.

OLD BUSINESS: The Polaris and Catalogue transition has been going smoothly with only a few bumps. If you have any problems, let Laure know and she will try to get answers.

NEW BUSINESS: First Light has been our fiber provider. NCLS has accepted a bid from Frontier to replace First Light. The contract starts July 1, 2023 and is for three years. Book/Bake/Yard and Chicken sale is June 3rd. The sale will run from 9a-1p. The town is also running a Community Yard sale that day. It’s nice to be able to work together. Chicken will remain at \$8 for a half. Tami and Bev will run the bake sale. A motion made by Cindy Arquette and seconded by Kate Dorn for the sum of \$1 to be paid to Jean Farmer for the use of her lot next to the library for parking the day of the sale. Motion carried.

Our Summer Reading program starts July 10th and will run for 6 weeks. The Kick Off is planned for July 10th. It will be for all ages with entertainment for the kids, hot dogs

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and refreshments will also be served. Story time will continue to be held each Wednesday at 10am. During Summer Reading we hope to have guest speakers again. So far guest readers are set for July 12, Paige Britton and Ciara Scott. July 19th the guest reader will be Assemblyman William Barclay. More guest readers are in the works.

Lunch program through OCO, will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 12 to 1 with Laurie Hale and Terry DeMassey supervising.

Cindy Arquette made a motion, with Jean Farmer seconding, to allow the Director to make purchases under \$200 dollars without board approval. Motion carried.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:25pm, with the motions made by Sue Billington and Kate Dorn. Motion carried.

Next meeting to be held on June 13th at 6:pm in the Community Room of the library.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry DeMassey
Secretary