Minutes of the meeting of the Leach Library trustees

Wednesday, April 3, 2024 6:30 p.m.

Present: Teresa, Judith, Cheryl, John, Kate, Brian, Mary, Gretchen

Call in: Phillis

Staff in attendance: Trisha and Colette

Call to Order

John called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Public comment period

No members of the public.

3. Approve minutes of the March 2024 meeting

Judith moved to approve the minutes of the February 2024meeting; the motion was seconded by Teresa. No discussion. Vote: all in favor.

4. Director's report

- -Trisha applied for a grant for new books.
- Trisha applied for a grant to help fund summer programming. Hoping to have Natalie Kinsey Warnock be included in storytelling and other summer programs.
- \$50k grant submitted to Preservation Trust of Vermont, Freeman Foundation
- -Trisha and Colette will attend CLIF conference April 12 at Lake Morey Resort
- -IVS visits will resume after spring break
- The library will be open Monday April 8, for the solar eclipse. Viewing glasses are available at the library

5. Finance report

- -Approved and signed by all trustees present
- -suggestion to prorate the wage increase for Colette from the beginning of the year. Motion by Kate, Seconded by Brian. Unanimous vote in favor.

6. Capital Grant Update

- -A subcommittee will be organized when/if the money is granted for the building project.
- -Cheryl and an acquaintance may be interested in helping with the direction/organization
- -Judith will help with communication
- -John will help with documentation
- -suggestion to inquire if select board member, Mike Prue, may be interested in being a part of the subcommittee.
- -reminder to include the Town Clerk on every level as she will need to oversee the money

7. Other business

- -University of Irasburg: ready for community members to sign up for classes, Judith will put up signage on the common and write a press release
- Cheryl, Gretchen, Teresa, and Mary signed the VT Oath of Allegiance
- -Summer hours need to be extended on Tuesdays 10-1 to accommodate the Lunch Box visits. Teresa motioned to extend the hours for both Trisha and Colette, Judith seconded, all voted in favor
- -suggestion was made that the IVS students enrolled in the summer program may enjoy visiting the library as part of their summer activities
- -Suggestion has been made to convert the community garden to a pollinator garden. Maureen has drafted a plan/map of suggested plants and locations. Cheryl motioned to accept the change, seconded by John, all in favor.

8.Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 7:23 p.m. on a motion from John, seconded by Teresa.