

LEACH PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 10:35 am. Present were Judith Jackson, Molly Veysey, Gretchen Bittner, Phillis Mosher, Colette Houle, and Kate Ives.

Item: CONSENT AGENDA: Last month's minutes were accepted and signed.

Item: NEW BOARD MEMBER: Kate Ives was elected to the board.

Others considered for board positions are Bonnie Kolber, Shelly Labor, and Trisha Ingalls.

Item: RESIGNATION ACCEPTED: As a result of family needs, Robin Kay had to resign from the board of trustees.

Item: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ELECTION OF BOARD CHAIR:

Judith stated that since her focus needs to be elsewhere at this time, she must step down from her position as board chair, though she would be willing to remain a board member. At Phillis's suggestion, Judith agreed to remain as chair until after the next meeting.

Judith delineated the duties of board chair and will submit them in writing at the next meeting. In addition, board members will research by laws and policies of other VT libraries to serve as guidelines for updating those of the Leach Public Library.

Molly suggested considering having a co-chair.

Item: AVAILABLE GRANT FUNDING

Library accessibility is of primary concern. Now that Irasburg has Village Center status, there are several available grants, including one that we could re-apply for from last year. It is hoped that we can approach someone familiar with grant-writing who would be willing to help us out. Phillis will contact Trisha Ingalls and Casey Eldridge in that regard.

Item: TREASURER POSITION

Molly would at least like some assistance in this role. Options were discussed and will be brought up at the next meeting.

Item: HONORING LONG-TIME VOLUNTEER HEAD LIBRARIAN, LAURIE GREEN HOLLAND

Laurie, who has done so much for the library, especially regarding the children of the town, will be relocating. It was decided that we would purchase 100 daffodils to be planted in her honor on the library grounds, and present them to her at an informal gathering of the board. Date and time TBA.

Item: COLETTE'S POSITION AS LIBRARY DIRECTOR

Both Colette and Laurie will submit a description of their respective duties, which will now be combined in one position for Colette. It will become a salaried position which will be further researched and discussed. Also, in light of easing of COVID restrictions, Colette would like to extend the Saturday library hours to their former schedule 10:00 – 3:00.

Item: DEI BOOK ORDER APPROVAL

The board approved ordering the revised submission of the DEI book list.

Item: DISCUSSION OF THE VERMONT SUMMER ENRICHMENT PROGRAM
The board will research this topic.

Item: EXPENSE REPORT WAS REVIEWED AND APPROVED

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 12:10. NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON TUESDAY, MAY 11, 2021