

## **Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Trustees**

Leach Public Library, Irasburg, VT

Tuesday, September 14, 2021

The meeting was held at the School House of the Old Stone House Museum in Brownington, VT.

In attendance:

Trustees: Molly, Judith, Kate, Trisha

Absent: Phillis, Gretchen

### 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:36 a.m. by Molly.

### 2. Public Comment

No members of the public present.

### 3. Consent Agenda

Trisha moved to approve the consent agenda; seconded by Kate; all in favor.

Approved unanimously.

### 4. Financial Update

We have a new Treasurer! Welcome to Jeanette Powell. Jeanette will join us at a future meeting to introduce herself, and will also introduce herself to the Irasburg Town Clerk (an email intro has been made already).

Molly has gone back and done the amendments to the financial reports, per the auditor's instructions, all the way back to December 2020.

### 5. New Business

- a) Fall Harvest Day Fundraiser: September 25<sup>th</sup>. Kate has taken the lead on organizing the food auction. The auctioneer is confirmed and donations are rolling in. We need to record all of the purchases and collect the cash and get it to Danielle Ingalls.
- b) Green Mountain Library Consortium: Kate has received the application for the Overdrive app and will make a first attempt at filling in the information then reach out if she has any questions. We should send out a press release when the service is up and running. We will need to update our website with the link.
- c) Story Hour: Usually resumes mid-October, so we will still aim for that and see what happens with COVID.

### 6. Enrichment

- a) Grant Update: See attached report.
- b) Fall Semester Enrichment Programming: Gretchen was absent, but had been in communication with Molly about enrichment programming and believes we may need to focus on activities that can be made into kits and sent home, depending on the state of the pandemic this fall in our area. Trisha will call OCSU to ask whether any after-school activities will be planned by the Supervisory Union, which could also help inform our enrichment programming.

### 7. Library Director

Kate shared some very useful and insightful recommendations from her mother about public engagement in order to build support for the position of Library Director, and the value that position adds to the library and the town. It was previously agreed that we should develop a communication strategy before attending a Select Board meeting to discuss the funding needed for the Library Director position. Judith will draft the communication strategy for our next meeting.

#### 8. Other Business

- a) Kate's daughter and her friend will catalogue the library as part of their community service!
- b) New meeting time: Molly will send a Doodle poll to find the best time for library trustee meetings.

#### 9. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m. on a motion from Trisha.