

MADISON LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
JANUARY 16, 2019 @ 3:30 PM
CHICK ROOM, MADISON LIBRARY
APPROVED MINUTES

ATTENDANCE: Chair Cheryl Littlefield, John Filson (via WebEx), Karen Lord, Patti Rau, Peter Stevens, Bruce Kennedy, Library Director Sloane Jarell

CALL TO ORDER: Chair Cheryl Littlefield called the meeting to order at 3:30 PM.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

December 19, 2018 regular meeting: Motion by Bruce Kennedy to approve the minutes of 12-19-18, seconded by Karen Lord. The motion passed unanimously.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER: Treasurer Angela Johnson was not present. The Treasurer's Report was in the board packet. Library Director Sloane Jarell noted that the budget drawdown was at 90.13% and said there will be one more drawdown from the town for 2018. John Filson asked Sloane how she thought it would end up. Sloane said the percentage will be a little higher.

Motion by Karen Lord to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Bruce Kennedy. The motion passed unanimously and the report was accepted and filed for audit.

LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Sloane noted that the statistics were down a little bit but attendance was good. She said Eastern Propane made some adjustments to the boiler. She asked them to lower the temperature of the hot water and a mixing valve was added which helped a little. Sloane said she met with the representative from the UNH Cooperative Extension to plan for the Slow Cooker Program that will be held on four Mondays in March. She said in addition, the Madison Library will be hosting a Community Potluck dinner, a "bring your comfort food" kind of thing. More details to come on this. She said the Trustees will have a chance to review the library report before it is submitted to the town for the town report.

GALLERY: Peter Stevens

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY: Sloane said the Friends are hosting a program on Observing the Winter Sky on January 31 which will include looking through the telescope. This will be free and open to the public.

OLD BUSINESS

Lighting - meeting room and outdoor sign: Sloane said in reading selectmen's minutes she noted that they had gotten a quote from Eversource about the lighting and were going to pass on it. She asked about this and was told that they are planning on revisiting it. She asked about the outdoor lighting and was told to contact Linda Shackford at the town office who would provide a contact with Eversource to discuss this.

NNHLC: The NNHLC (Northern NH Library Cooperative) agreement was in the board packet. Sloane said they have been making the corrections that we discussed. She said there was a discussion about a “consensus” vs. a “unanimous” vote and they have decided to go with “unanimous.” Sloane said we will have a one-card policy, no holding cards at every library.

Therapy dog visits to the library: Sloane said she checked with Linda Shackford at the town office and was told that therapy dog visits are permitted as long as the dog is insured.

NEW BUSINESS

Conway joining the Coop: Motion by Patti Rau to accept the Conway Public Library into the NNHLC, seconded by Bruce Kennedy. The motion passed unanimously.

Town Meeting – library closure: Sloane said this has been settled so there is no need to close the library during the town meeting.

OTHER BUSINESS: Possibilities for library board alternates were discussed.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Bruce Kennedy to adjourn, seconded by Karen Lord. The motion passed unanimously: The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 3:57 PM.

Next meeting: February 20, 2019 @ 3:30 PM

Town of Madison, Board of Library Trustees Meeting for January 16, 2019

Approved Minutes
Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Ambrose
Recording Secretary

Draft Minutes e-mailed to the Trustees, Town Clerk, and Library Director on January 17, 2019