

MADISON LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
JUNE 21, 2023 @ 3:30 PM
JOHN F. CHICK ROOM
APPROVED MINUTES

ATTENDING: Chair Cheryl Littlefield, Betty Fernandes, Mary Holmes, Bruce Kennedy, Karen Lord, Christina McAllister, Patti Rau, Linda Smith, David Stevens, Peter Stevens; Susan Lee, Friends of the Library; Sloane Jarell, Library Director

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

May 17, 2023 Regular Meeting: Motion by Christina McAllister to approve the minutes of 5-17-23, seconded by Betty Fernandes. The motion passed unanimously.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER:

Treasurer Christina McAllister said the Budget Drawdown looks good. Christina noted that 86% of the Book line has been spent. Library Director Sloane Jarell said for quite a few years now, we have received \$4,000 from the town for books, and books have gone up in price dramatically during that time. She said it might be a thought to increase that line in the budget next year. Susan Lee noted that the Friends have budgeted another \$1,200 for books as well. Christina said regarding the Operating Monies, the amount of Bookmobile Support should be corrected to \$750. She noted that the investments are doing well and that we are overall in good shape.

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: Library Director Sloane Jarell:

- The Statistics look good. The Chick Room is getting used a lot.
- Two pine trees were taken down by the DPW.
- The Summer Reading Program began yesterday.
- The Madison Library will participate in the Madison Rec's Summer Carnival on July 1.
- We will have a big birthday cake for the library to celebrate 30 years.
- JP Goodwin will be doing collages for all ages.
- Kits for the Little Art Show for all ages will be available on July 1 and will be due back by Old Home Week.

GALLERY: Nancy Marsden for 2 months.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY: Susan Lee:

- At the June Book Sale we had 30 customers; the next sale will be on July 15.

- The program on “Truth Matters” was very well received.
- The June program was cancelled by the presenter, but he will let us know when he can reschedule.
- The next program on August 24 will feature Cindy and Bill Lord’s trip to the Antarctic. Susan suggested having this program at the Madison Elementary School, in anticipation of a large audience.
- The Friends paid for the Mahjong sets in June, as well as for magnets and the new book sale sign. The Friends put a deposit on the tables for the Chick Room, which have now arrived.
- Susan used the library pass for the Squam Lake Center and thoroughly enjoyed it.

OLD BUSINESS

Water Dispenser: Still awaiting arrival.

Notary Public Policy: The policy was discussed and Susan Lee suggested adding a phrase stating that “the library shall not review or certify the contents of a document.” She suggested deleting Paragraph #4 under Notary Services.

Motion by Peter Stevens to accept the Notary Public Policy with changes as discussed, seconded by Christina McAllister. The motion passed unanimously.

Summer Carnival: Sloane said she needs volunteers to set up and take down. Cheryl Littlefield volunteered to make cupcakes.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

OTHER BUSINESS: None.

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Bruce Kennedy to adjourn, seconded by Karen Lord. The motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 4:00 PM.

Next Meeting: July 19, 2023 – 3:30 PM
Town of Madison, Board of Library Trustees Draft Minutes
Respectfully submitted,

Patricia Ambrose
Recording Secretary