

Old Forge Library
Board of Trustees
February meeting: February 8, 2024

Present: Kate Bartlet, Dave Berkstresser, Judy Ehrensbeck, Kelly Hunkins, Mona Lincoln, Liz Lorentzsen, Linda Martin, Reed Proper, Joe Rintrona, Kathy Rivet, Sara Terpening Linda Weal

Absent:

Call to order: 6:21 PM by Kelly Hunkins

Approval of minutes from last meeting:

Motion made by Linda Martin
Seconded by Mona Lincoln
Approved

Approval of treasurer's report:

Motion made by Kate Bartlet
Seconded by Linda Martin
Approved and entered into minutes

Director's Report:

- Nearly done scheduling spring and summer events
- The website is live. We are still awaiting some training.
- Friends assembled Grab N' Go bags for Presidents' Day weekend.
- Friends are preparing for the Sweetheart Baking Contest and the Poetry and Art Contest
- There may be some changes to the Summer Reading program as the town has a new Recreational Director and she may be changing the Day Camp schedule. Linda will meet with Hannah to discuss how best to schedule the library events so as to ensure our community children can attend.
- We are trying to get our space in order. There are lots of items that can be discarded or donated, or sold.
- There will be an artist staying in the apartment from March 10-15th. We will ensure that space is ready for him by then.

Unfinished Business:

- The Buildings and Grounds Committee met with City Suburban to discuss their Geothermal heating system. We are waiting on a quote.
- We received a second bid from C.T. Male Associates regarding our Master Plan. The Building and Grounds Committee will meet on February 13th to discuss this further.
- John Paul has been painting and repairing walls throughout the library.
- Risley Electric has been working for several days to get the building ready for the Stanley Door installation on February 15th.
- We have been awarded the following grants:
 - \$1700 CLRC Catalyst Grant Pre-Approval for Earth Day Program

New Business:

- The American Heart Association is donating blood pressure monitors to be used on site and for loaning to our patrons. Linda is working on a draft waiver for patrons to sign when they borrow the monitor.
- We have applied for the following grants:
 - \$8400-NYCON/NYSCA/NYFA Stabilization Grant for capacity building.
 - \$25,000 NYSCA Capital Improvement Grant-shed construction

- \$62,000-NYS Adirondack Smart Growth Grant for Geothermal energy
- \$4200-John Ben Snow Memorial Foundation-Grab 'N Go supplies
- \$10,000-Adirondack Foundation Generous Acts for children's programs
- Community Foundation Health Grant and Science Rounds for children's audiobook players and stories (Yoto)

Adjournment at 7:05 PM:

Motion made by Dave Berkstresser

Seconded by Reed Proper

Approved

Next meeting:

March 14, 2024 at 5:30 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Ehrensbeck
Recording Secretary
February 8, 2024