

Randolph Public Library

Trustees' Meeting, Mon March 15th, 2021, 6.30pm

Present: Denise Demers, Ellen Ross, Rhonda Stitt, Steve Teczar, Heather Wiley, Yvonne Jenkins (librarian) and guest Kayla Demers (Secretary, Friends of the Randolph Public Library)

1. Denise made a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting, Rhonda seconded, all were in favor.

2. Treasurer's Report

Town Checking	\$8,376.72
RPL Checking	\$9,201.48
Building Fund Checking	\$475.43
Building Fund CD	\$18,468.42

Rhonda noted that the Building Fund CD is maturing this month and, as per the decision at the last trustees' meeting, the Building Fund Checking account will be closed and the funds moved to the CD.

The invoices were circulated for approval.

3. Librarian's Report

The library reopening has gone well, with between 2-8 patrons visiting at each session. Appointments may have to be considered in the summer as library use increases. Curbside pickup continues.

Yvonne requested 4 air purifiers for the library - one in the Children's Room, one in the White Mountain Room and two in the main library. In the current climate of coronavirus, it is anticipated the air will be cleaner and safer. They are small and quiet. The Friends are considering purchasing 2. Steve made a motion to buy 2 purifiers costing \$225 each, Rhonda seconded, all were in favor.

There has not been time to look into purchasing a new computer or research an awning for the outdoor garden space.

The second program in the "In the Shadow of Mount Washington" series was well attended with 105 participants. It is hoped that Dan Szczeny will do a live presentation on the fire towers of NH when his book of the same title is released. The next program, "Animals of the White Mountains" is scheduled for Wed, Apr 7th - 2 shows will take place at 5.30 and 6.30pm.

The Summer Reading Program is still being planned. Katherine Turnbull will need to cover the circulation desk for 1 hour/week for the 6 week program.

Yvonne will start the "When Will the 7 Break?" competition on April 1st.

Yvonne will be taking a vacation from June 19-26. Katharine has agreed to fill in.

4. Friends' Group Report

Laura Lynch from Northstar Web Services has been asked to create an email address for the Friends.

Kayla and Anne will be putting together a communications platform soon, to have a means of communicating to and engaging the public in the work of the Friends.

5. Book Sale

There was much discussion about the book sale. The trustees agreed to 2 days this year - Sat and Sun July 24th and 25th - with a rotation of volunteers to oversee the sale. Location is to be determined - the Municipal Building may allow more social distancing, but donated books would have to be stored there prior to the sale (to prevent having to move books from one location to another). The old library could be a second location for the sale. The Friends have agreed to run the book sale but this would only be offered at the main location. Yvonne also suggested that payment could be simplified - perhaps 50c/book or "Fill a Bag" for \$5 or donations only. Details will be determined at next month's meeting.

6. Old, Continuing and Other Business

Steve acknowledged Denise's >15 years as an alternate trustee and thanked her for her dedication, commitment and perspective.

The number of Covid cases in Coos County is declining, and vaccinations are rising.

The NHLTA is offering Trustee Orientation Virtual Workshops on Sat April 24th and Mon June 7th. The annual conference will be on May 12th and 13th.

7. The next meeting will be held on Monday, April 19th at 6.30pm.

There being no other business the meeting was adjourned at 7.45pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Wiley
Secretary