

FRIENDSHIP FREE LIBRARY
MONTHLY BOARD MEETING MINUTES
July 19, 2022

Attendance: Carey Brown, Kay Middaugh, Sue Strickley, Dell Baker, Dee Wolf, Nicole Pepe

Meeting called to order at 6:02 pm.

Guests: Catman Brad

Brad came to the monthly meeting to donate \$100.00 of his stimulus check to the library to go toward any necessary expenditures. The Board expressed their appreciation of his generous donation.

Minutes: Dell makes a motion to approve minutes from June. Kay 2nd. Approved by the board with unanimous vote.

Budget Report: The Baldwin report was reviewed by the board.

Financial update: Per Sue did not have the statement for this meeting will report figures for July and August in the August meeting.

Library Report: 176 people in June, 17 Computer users, Nicole feels that the subscription boxes has helped.

****Directors Report:**

Per Nicole: . No update for the Genesee Revitalization Grant, no update on the Microfilm Digitization Grant. We received the information about ordering the materials for the ARC grant. Nicole met with the NYS construction grant board, they got back to us today and we have been approved for 75% of the grant to replace half of the windows on the main floor space (a total of 11 windows), we will have to be approved through SHPO to replace the windows before we can move forward.

Our next program was supposed to be on August 14th but they had to cancel. So Perry Ground will return in November to do another program instead. Southern Tier Health Care Systems got back to us about the White noise machines, they have ordered it from Amazon and due to supply chain issues, it is taking longer to arrive. There is no reason to cover the windows for these appointments.

Judo has started and is a success. We even had 11 participants, 8 children and 4 adults show up for classes. We received our National Registry sign and it is beautiful. We can't wait to have it installed and have a dedication ceremony although it will probably be after the Freedom Fair.

Nicole has included a new Children's Internet Policy to establish, she believes that children under the age of 13 should not use the internet unless with a parent.

Carey makes a motion to enact a new internet usage policy for children in the library that states children under the age of 13 must be accompanied by a parent or adult guardian to use the internet. Kay 2nd. Approved by the board unanimously.

We received a \$325 donation from the Susan Foster Myers Fund through Allegany County Area Foundation.

Nicole thinks we should have a policy in place for the "Challenge of Content" in library material, she will look for a general policy on this matter and bring it to the August meeting.

Nicole presented a final draft of the Terms of Employment agreement with a couple of changes suggested by Trustee Dell Baker the board has decided to table the agreement and make a decision in the August meeting.

Trustee Dell Baker states that the mileage rate has gone up for July 1st through December 31st 2022 to 62.5 cents a mile.

Carey makes a motion to change the mileage rate to 62.5 cents for the above dates to coincide with the state.

Motion to adjourn made by Sue. 2nd by Kay. Approved by the board with a unanimous vote.

Adjourned: 7:18 pm

****Most Old and New business was included in the Directors' report****