Approved

Marc A. Hurzeler, MD Public Library

Trustee Meeting Minutes

May 13, 2025

Meeting opened at 6:33.

Those present: Liz Milligan, Chair, Joy McCorkhill, Library Director, Leslie Seppala, Brenda Roy, Bette Bovio and Jeanne Kenison. Linda Cushman came to assist with selection of the scholarship candidates.

Library trustees and Linda Cushman reviewed candidates for the Nevers Scholarship and chose Noah Wiers for the amount of \$700 and Josephine Faris for \$500. Trustees then chose Noah Wiers for the JLT Scholarship recipient who will receive \$500.

Trustees reviewed the April 8 Trustee Meeting Minutes and made 2 corrections. Liz made a motion to accept the April 8 minutes with 2 corrections, seconded by Brenda Roy and passed by all trustees.

Trustees reviewed the treasurer's report. The savings account balance as of May 12,2025 was \$21,746.68 and the checking account balance was \$8,125.90. Liz made a motion to accept the treasurer's report as presented, seconded by Bette Bovio and passed by all trustees.

Director's Report

Joy received the check for the LTC Grant and is scheduled to address the community conversation with the Seniors and Friends this Thursday as per conditions of the grant.

The NE ARSL \$5,000 Grant was awarded specifically for the back door to make it accessible for children and parents without danger of falls. Joy designed the space so it would be accessible to the outside. She hasn't been able to have outdoor activities secondary to safety issues and plans to have Central do the project before July 1 when SRP will start. The estimate was \$1085 over \$5000 grant awarded and trustees agreed it was ok to schedule. The money will be here shortly. Joy can post pictures of the work in progress on Facebook to promote the grant.

Joy received a \$415 quote for the ramp off the non-fiction room. She will wait until after the Community Conversation discussion but she'll do it even if it isn't a priority from the discussion.

Genieve's Heartwood 5th Grade Class teacher asked to display their Banned Books Project in the library. After seeing the list of books they are doing, Joy agreed as it is a good community partnership opportunity. The list doesn't include a lot of the hot topic "bans" right now and Joy thinks it is important for kids to think about why people ban books. The books they will be highlighting include well-known authors and titles.

It's getting time for the community calendar and it will be done electronically this year, no envelope/promo kit. Joy stated that the calendar costs have risen and, unless we increase the cost, we won't make anything off the calendars. Trustees agreed to increase the cost of individual calendars to \$10 each.

The Community Calendar includes the Sign Language program on Saturdays this summer. Christina Bertin will do the program 11-noon; it'll be free and open to everyone. The Teen/Adult Bookclub is scheduled and the SRP will begin in July for 5 weeks. Lastly, the Quilting Group is scheduled for June 9.

Joy has submitted her case to Microsoft to get access to it on the second computer.

Emma will be on vacation the last week of June and Joy is looking for library coverage June 23-27, Monday, Tuesday and Thursday AM.

Joy stated that the HB 666 failed but that HB 273 is still moving forward.

Leslie needs to see Amanda about the debit card attached to the checking account as she needs to sign an agreement.

Liz reported that the overflow room usage numbers have changed and this may impact our scheduling the room for programs.

The next meeting will be June 10 at 6:30.

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Meeting adjourned 7:54.

Jeanne Kenison, Secretary