

Langdon Library Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes October 17, 2019

Present: Trustees Jack O'Reilly (JO); David Turbide (DT), Catherine Hazelton (CH), Peter Welch (PW), Lillian Wilson (LW); Alternate Steve Bush (SB); Library Director Lara Croft Berry (LCB)

Meeting called to order by JO at 1:30 PM

Minutes: Moved by CH, seconded by PW to accept September 5 and 26, 2019 public minutes; passed 5 – 0.

Treasurer's Report: Spending is in line with expectations at this point in the year.

Director's Report: The library continues to operate smoothly, with continued great numbers for visits and programs.

- As expected, the new ILL system has resulted in a flood of new requests because the software channels requests to the smallest library that has the asset. We are a small library with a great collection. Requests are coming in at the rate of 10 to 15 per day and sometimes more. This may subside early next year when the rest of the small libraries fully implement the system but is a struggle for us at this time.
- A very active program agenda includes visits to Family Hour from the Newington Police Chief Mike Bilodeau and the Fire Department, Mary Doane from Wild about Turtles, and a wonderful afternoon tea and presentation from Ann McClellan sponsored by the NH Humanities Council. Thank you again to Kathy Latchaw for making the event so beautiful and special with the use of her tea sets, tablecloths, napkins and even flowers from her garden! Our Book Group enjoyed the Sy Montgomery book, "The Soul of an Octopus". Tech Talks and Care giver's café continue. Drop-in Halloween party is October 26.

Building Maintenance: The light base that was damaged by Mainely Grass is not yet repaired. It appears that the men's room toilet is "running" sporadically for no discernable reason. WE are trying to get Kevin in to fix it along with several other items on his to-do list. The leaves and pine needles need to be cleared from the roof, especially the flat roof over the connector between the old and new buildings. PW discussed possible interim and permanent solutions for the low spot on the sidewalk where water (and ice) accumulate.

Policies: No policies to review this month.

Donations: The board voted to accept \$156.76 in donations: Moved by CH, seconded by PW; passed 5-0

No Non-Public session this month.

Next Meeting: November 21, 2019 @ 1:30PM

Board meeting adjourned - moved by PW seconded by CH, passed 5-0 at 3:00 PM

Respectfully Submitted: David A Turbide, board secretary