

Deep River Library Board of Trustees

Meeting Minutes October 6, 2014

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by AC Proctor

Members present: AC Proctor, Louise Cowen, Michelle Emfinger, Jim Davis, Patricia Unan, Pat Risinit, Rolf Petersen, and Library Director Susan Rooney.

Excused: Roy Jefferson, Peggy Maraschiello

Motion made and board voted to accept minutes of the September 8, 2014

Treasurer's Report – doing well so far. Louise paid one half of the carpenter's fee for the front door renovation. Received some funds from the Friends.

Correspondence – one thank you letter received from a school kid

Library Director's report - September

a. Statistical usage report

Computer use: 217

Ills to other libraries: 37

Ills to DR: 47

Volunteers: 8, 19 hours

September stats: 2,164 -6.2%

b. Past and Upcoming Programs

September

- Book Club, *The Silent Wife* by A.S.A. Harrison
- Book and Bake Sale followed by pizza party for Friends
- Storytimes continue

October programs:

- Book club
- The Nurse is In
- Storytimes
- GMO OMG presentation by ConnFact of Middlesex County
- The College Guys, How to Pay for College Seminar
- Family Movie, *The Witches*
- You are Not Alone, medium and author Sydney Sherman
- Kindergarten field trips

c. Other reports

- New circulation hire, Wendy Sherman
- Young patrons in the library unattended
- Selling copies of XYZ
- Library Christmas tree at historical society
- Check out East Hampton's catalog, we can also have added features for \$800 annually. Currently we have a free trial.

Circulation stats are down. Susan thinks weather still impacting since September was warm. Lots of programs coming up in October. Liberty Bank is posting our fliers. Kindergartners coming to the library Oct. 21 to get their library cards.

Policy for unattended children at the library. Susan will find out what other libraries do. Not clear that we need a defined policy.

Selling copies of the book XYZ. Christmas tree competition to be held by Historical Society, library or friends may participate.

Patrick is working on the Splash page for our Website... currently you get a basic page when you click on a book link. There is a more complete option from Verso that cost \$800 per year... everyone should take a look, we have a free trial.

Committee

House and Grounds: Informal meeting about the library garden.

We will have the “book drop” sign on the front door done in gold leaf, also having the old library sign redone and a new hours sign made.

Old business

Library retreat – Nov. 8, 8-12 at The Ivory Pub

New business

Tentative Christmas party date Dec. 11

Next meeting November 10, 2014

Meeting adjourned at 8pm