

Lee Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting

Wednesday, June 12, 2019 6 pm Lee Library

Present: Trustees Katrinka Pellecchia, Deborah Schanda;
Alternate Trustee Peg Dolan; Director Ruth Eifert

May minutes were approved as amended. MOTION: to accept the minutes of the May meeting (Katrinka/Deb). PASSED

Treasurer's Report/May 2018: As of May 31, there is \$8364.26 in the Operations Account, \$3902.04 in the non-lapsing account and \$6292.05 in the CD. MOTION: to accept the August treasurer's report (Peg/Deb). PASSED. The CD is coming due at the end of the month; it is a one-year CD currently earning 1%. Katrinka recommended that we look for a higher interest rate; the trustees felt that it would also be okay to look at two-year CDs. MOTION: to give permission for Katrinka to obtain a higher-yield CD for up to two years (Deb/Peg). PASSED.

Director's Report: Circulation continues to increase -- it is on track to be higher than last year. After several false starts, the library circulation desk was replaced. Judy Belanger is the new Children's Librarian – Lapsit is scheduled for Tuesday afternoons; on Thursdays, there will be Sandwiches and Stories at Little River Park; there will be two Story Times on Fridays – one for toddlers and one for older children. Signups for the Summer Reading Program will start June 24; the joint kickoff event (Durham, Lee, Madbury) is scheduled for June 27 in Madbury. The Friends will underwrite the Summer Reading Program. On June 27 the McDonald's at the Lee Circle will donate a portion of their proceeds between the hours of 4-7 pm to the Friends. Plans continue for the art auction in November. The Foundation will be selling reusable produce bags; continuing the sustainability theme, later this summer they will start selling metal drinking straws.

A representative from MJS Engineering in Newmarket came out on Tuesday to look at reinforcing the floor of the schoolhouse portion of the library; he said it was very doable and estimated that it would cost \$1500 to draw up plans. These plans would then be used to go out to bid for the construction. The next Select Board meeting is Monday, June 17. Annie has requested that the request to expend funds from the Capital Reserve Fund for the plans be put on the agenda; Ruth and Deb will attend the meeting.

The New Hampshire Library Trustee Association conference was held on May 29 – Ruth, Annie and Katrinka attended. The main them was Library Advocacy.

Black mulch has been spread on the beds around the library, thanks to a Boy Scout who was working on his Reading Badge requirement.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:10. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be Wednesday, July 10 at 6:00 pm at the library.