

Library Trustees Meeting minutes ~ Monday, May 22, 2017

Attendees: Lisa Kane/chairwoman, Joanne Geneva/Secretary

Betsy (Perry) Rajotte/Library Director, Shannon Duffy/Youth Services Librarian (non-voting attendees)

Call to order: 12:05 pm

Agenda

The minutes of the April 2017 meeting were reviewed and unanimously approved.

Director's Report:

	Adult Programs	Number of Participants
July 2016	5	43
August	9	51
September	8	50
October	6	43
November	8	55
December	6	39
January 2017	7	36
February	5	32
March	4	34
April	8	48

Meetings attended:

April 27- Indie Author Day webinar

May 2- Department Heads- TH

May 5- C/WMARS Executive Committee- C/WMARS

May 8- Town Meeting

May 10- Webinar Q&A on personnel management

May 12- Blackstone Valley Libraries at Millbury Library

May 18- Capital Committee

May 19- Friends of the Library

Adult programs:

Healthy and Decadent Desserts with Colin had a full house.

The Ukulele class series is halfway through and going strong.

Upcoming:

Parenting Series- Tuesdays in June (one in July) with Stephanie Stilla-Petrie LMHC (Licensed Mental Health Counselor)

Series of 3 cooking classes with Colin in July/August

Plant Nights for teens and adults

Special speaker at June Krosslink- Drumming up Business

Blackstone Valley Veggie Gardens will be in with Canning, Freezing, and Dehydrating in August

Two concerts on the Common- one in July, one in August

Friends:

Are still planning their 3rd Annual Art Festival with Book Sale for June 3 from 10:00 to 3:00. (Over 20 vendors have reserved tables and Whittier Farms is providing food.)

They are planning a comedy night at the Dudley Gendron for 10/20

Staff:

Our high school intern, Taylor, finished her internship on Thursday 5/18. She was a great worker and we really enjoyed having her.

Staff day is June 12.

Misc:

Food for fines is set to go in July.

Summer reading preparations are well under way. (Space is a legitimate concern when preparing for and hosting summer reading events.) Registration starts 6/19.

We need to discuss a policy of lending to decertified libraries and/or residents of those towns. With impending issues in Douglas (their library may be decertified by the state.) we are the only town around who doesn't have a policy set right now to address how to handle patrons from a town with a decertified library.

At the last Blackstone Valley Libraries meeting we discussed 'floating' our audiobook collections. We will be floating all of our age groups as soon as possible.

Capital Committee:

Next meeting is Thursday, June 15 at 7 pm. They are getting ready to roll out engraved brick ordering (both online and physical ordering in the Library)

Youth Services Report:

Professional Development:

5/1 – YA Collaborative Group Meeting - topic: budgeting grants

5/9- Good Comics for Kids (Webinar)

Past Programs and Attendance Numbers:

In April, we had 20 children's programs with a total of 183 people in attendance. Apple Tree Arts is coming to an end, attendance has been great!

Upcoming Programs:

Storytime:

Summer Storytimes: Every Thursday at 10:30 AM from 6/22-8/31 (ages 1-5)

Storytime at the Bank: Monday, June 5 and 26 at 10:30 AM (ages 1-5)

I will be going to the elementary school every Tuesday for Storytime with the Summer Care kids, starting 6/20.

Guest/Performers/Events:

Kidding around Yoga with Nichole! Thursday, May 25 at 6 PM (ages 4-7)

Summer Reading Kick Off! Saturday, 6/17 from 11AM-2PM featuring a performance from the Toe Jam Puppet Band at 1 PM. (All Ages)

Music and Movement with Deb Hudgins: Monday, June 19 at 10:30 AM (ages 1-5)

Crafternoons: Every Tuesday and Thursday, 6/20- 8/10 from 1-5 PM (All Ages)

Free Movie Friday: June 23 at 2 PM. Showing: The Lego Batman Movie (All Ages)

Author Visit: Thursday, June 29 at 11 AM Author/illustrator David Hyde Costello will come to the library to do his presentation on simple machines. (ages 6 and up)

Lego Club Meetings:

Tuesday, May 30 at 4 PM

Thursday, June 8 at 4 PM

Tween/Teen Services

Past Programs and Attendance Numbers:

In April, we had 3 teen programs with 11 people in attendance.

Upcoming Programs:

Tinker Tuesday: Tuesday, June 13 at 3 PM

Evil Genius Club: four week session starting June 22nd with two groups : morning group at 10:30 AM or afternoon at 3:30 PM (Ages 8 -13) A second session is coming in July. the maximum attendance is 8 (up from last year due to funding for more supplies thanks to the Osterman Family Grant)

Babysitter Job Fair: Saturday, June 24th from 10:30-12:30 PM

Makey-Makey Workshop: Saturday, June 24th at 12:30 PM (Ages 8 and up)

New Business:

We are scheduled on the agenda at the Selectmans meeting on July 18, 2017 to report on the status of the State Grant for the proposed New Library Building

A document will be started containing facts to help all concerned respond to questions people may have about the proposed building.

A discussion took place about getting the word out and addressing concerns - the Word of Mouth Marketing Committee is working on a variety of plans and will report on how to market support for the proposed new building.

Upcoming Meeting Dates:

Monday, June 26, 2017 at 12:00pm

Monday July 17, 2017 at 12:00pm

Next Meeting Agenda Items:

1. Youth Services Report
2. Director's Report
3. New/Old Business

Adjournment: 12:45 pm