

Minutes of Cortland Community Library Board Meeting: January 9, 2019

Present: Mary Benson, Liz Blondell, Victoria Haier & Marie Kornischuk. Also present Barb Coward.

Absent: Rich Bliss & Judy Olsen

Board members and Mrs. Coward viewed the RAILS archived webinar, "Accessible to All: Serving Youth and Young Adults with Disabilities".

The webinar was paused several times for discussion. Excellent program ideas were presented, but many cannot be replicated at Cortland Library due to our lack of space and quiet areas. A "buddy" reading program will be discussed with staff in hopes of enriching our summer reading plans.

The meeting was called to order at 7:55 pm. by President Victoria Haier.

The minutes from November 2018 were read and approved. Mary Benson so moved, seconded by Marie Kornischuk. All Board members present voiced their approval.

The Treasurer's Report and Expenditures from November 2018 were examined. Marie Kornischuk moved to approve, seconded by Liz Blondell. All agreed by voice vote.

The Librarian's Report was read and discussed. Marie Kornischuk noted an error; the typing of a decimal point instead of a comma in the \$18,078 staff "benefits" expense.

There were no citizens present to be heard.

Per Capita requirements for the Board were fulfilled by the viewing of the "Accessible to All" webinar and subsequent discussions.

By consensus, the review and possible adoption of amended bylaws was tabled to the next meeting, in hopes that all Board members could be present.

Mrs. Coward reported that 5 people turned in paperwork to run for open positions on our Library Board in the coming April 2019. Ashley Hartness will join the Board, as she is running for the open 2 year position. All 5 candidates will be running unopposed.

Friday, January 11, is the annual staff party. Board members are invited to join us at 6 (after closing) in the library.

The LWT group is meeting here on Friday, January 11, 2019 at 9 am., to hear Jane Lenser, director of Cherry Valley Library, discuss fund raising ideas.

After the retirement of Malta Library director, Peggy Wogan, who had been a driving force in LWT, the new and remaining directors voted to hold our traditional March staff trainings every other year. The next one will be in 2020.

Victoria Haier moved to adjourn at 8:23 pm., seconded by Marie Kornischuk.

The meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Barb Coward

approved March 20, 2019