

## **Library Minutes for May 5, 2021**

Meeting was called to order at 10:00 and Judy Moved and Tam seconded the acceptance of the minutes from the last meeting.

Cathy volunteered to take the notes as Marion was absent. Courtney told us that Marion is moving to Ohio and will need to be replaced on the board. Lucy, Katie, Tam and Judy are presently on the board. After discussion it was decided that Cathy Atwood would join the board and take over as secretary.

There was no Treasurer's Report this month.

### **Old Business**

#### Step Project

Pavers were looked at at Gilberts; they would take 6 weeks to deliver Shawn is looking somewhere in the southern part of the state as it would be good to get it done all at once.

#### Sign Project

Jeanne emailed Sheila some pictures and samples and heard back at the last minute that Sheila has two deadlines presently and will contact Jeanne when she can. Jeanne will check with her again in a couple of weeks. We will also look at other sources. Sondra had a recommendation of a Vermont company who is doing a sign for her church

An email has been sent about the website and we are still waiting for a reply.

#### Library Financial

Covid funds information is still coming in. Census and poverty indicators will probably determine what is received for funding. Hopefully about \$3000. We would like to improve our Wifi and add staffing. The state needs to replace some interlibrary vans so they may use some of the funds.

#### Project Connect

This may allow us to improve our wifi for free

Courtney wants to look into it and allow up to \$500 for router purchase or labor if necessary. Cathy moved and Judy seconded to authorize this.

#### 501c3

Bylaws and paper work are done. FOWL may be able to get more grants to grow hours as will working with ACHS and NCHC to get a Community Health Worker associated with the library.

Courtney would like to get a lawyer to look over the paperwork

SAU36 is all set so the mailing can be done for Project Imagination and they are still working on it.

Free Pantry is in.

The town purchased and put in the pavers to support it and installed it. Ellen Address got the shelves and Courtney will get them in this week. Beth Anderson got totes to keep food in to help protect it. Courtney contacted Littleton Sign about getting a sign for it. Cathy will contact a NH Conservation Officer about bear safety with the pantry and Ellen will provide a list of donation items that are very needed. Personal care items are a big need. We have gotten donations to help fill the pantry.

Hopefully it can also be a Resource Hub with a brochure rack inside with information on where to find help, local trails and other local items. If the pantry is also connected to information, it may be easier or more comfortable for people to use it.

It will be publicized on Facebook, in the local newspaper, and hopefully the local churches will promote and help fill it.

Meadowstone Seeds Project

Brought in lots of children with their families to pick up the packages and this counts a Family and Kids Project

## **New Business**

Project Connect

Rural Libraries

Unite Us There are the service organizations we are working with.

Summer Reading Program

We want to have a Bingo Card or some other motivation for kids and adults.

Would like to have a weekly incentive like a free ice cream to motivate the young readers.

A finishing prize as well for a drawing. Maybe for children and adults.

Dinner

Subway

Dunkin

Plays

Caitlyn will be working with the summer reading program. Budget is \$1500. Will we have a Kick Off? School has sent info home in the Friday Folders. It will be in the newspaper and on Facebook. It ramps up the week after school gets out on the 18th of June. Maybe we can offer an incentive for new card holders? Visitors to the area of a week or more can sign up if they want.

Mission and Vision.

We updated some of the old policies to bring the language into more modern terms. It was moved by Jundy and seconded by Cathy to accept the changes we made.

Caroline is back. She has done three 3 hour shifts in April and is doing well slowly. We are looking at staffing for the summer and adding a day of being open. The summer program will impact which day is chosen to open. A survey will look for input on which hours are best for the community: morning, evening, or afternoon. We want to get back to being open 4 days.

Tam and Courtney will get together to set a calendar as to which month we elect officers, do budget and the other things that need to be done.

The next meeting will be Wednesday June 2 at 10:00 AM and it was decided we will continue to meet the first Wednesday of the month. Next month will also be a Zoom meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:36. Moved by Judy and Seconded by Tam.