September 16, 2024

Our mission: to be the community hub connecting our patrons to the world.

Jordan Bramley Library Board of Trustees
Monday September 16, 2024
Monthly Meeting
Start Time: 6:00 pm

Attendance: T. Sullivan, D. Barber, M. Smart, A. Ryan, S. MacDowall, J. Bachmann, L. Byrnes
Absent: D. Cassick, J. Clark

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Reports: Director, Treasury, Secretary

Julianna gave an overview of her Director's Report. She accepted the resignation of Rainn and the board thanks her for her service and wishes her the best on her new endeavor. At this time, those position hours are being filled with other staff members taking on more hours and it was decided not to advertise to fill that position at this time.
Our summer reading program was a success. Julianna stated she would like to see more child participants. She reached out to Casey at Elbridge for some ideas and she will advertise the program both online and in person next year. All agreed having the JE summer school children is a win-win for the district and the library and we should continue to partner with the school whenever we can. Julianna also stated this was the first year we offered an adult summer reading program with 30 participants and she would like to continue that next season. Linda suggested we look to hire a person to do some of the crafting and activities because it does take up quite a bit of Julianna's time to run those activities during the summer. All agreed. Mindy asked if the website had been fixed and Julianna stated it had and she is now able to upload and put new events and information on the website.
The Treasurer's report was read in silence with little discussion to follow.
The Secretary's report was perused with no discussion as all participants anxiously awaited the next topic of discussion … the Fall Festival.

A motion was made to accept all reports. Motion: A. Ryan
2nd: D. Barber
Vote: 5-0, motion carried

Tim stated we can look at the letters involving the communication with the Community Council, but wants to table the issues until the next meeting with the Festival looming this weekend.

The Jordan Fall Festival

Darcy stated the sign-up sheet will fill in. We are short coverage on Saturday, but she's confident it will fill up.
The prices for items were established:

Adult Hardcover: $3	All Paperbacks: $1	All Children's Books: $1
All CD/DVDs: $1	Bags: $2	Fill A Bag: $15

Julianna will be calling tomorrow to see what time the village will be moving the books from the barn to the festival grounds. Stew attended the meeting the festival committee had and he brought back the volunteer parking passes. Those working Friday morning, will offer teachers the opportunity to have their students pick one free book while they are enjoying free cider and donuts.

New Library Policies

Tim asked how long the policies are in effect. Mindy stated they should be revisited at least once every five years and policies can be updated when necessary. Tim asked Julianna if staff are reading and signing off. She stated yes and she is keeping the policies in a notebook for easy access as needed.

A motion was made to accept the Library's Emergency Plan Policy. Motion: D. Barber
2nd: S. MacDowall
Vote: 5-0, motion carried

A motion was made to accept the Library's Internal Harassment and Code of Conduct Policy:
Motion: S. MacDowall
2nd: D. Barber
Vote: 5-0, motion carried

Odds and Ends/Around the Table

Tim brought up the 5 year plan. Stew stated the cameras were off the table after last month's discussion. Tim stated the Foyer is almost complete. Darcy and Ashley added rugs need to be purchased for the foyer. Stew stated the man who fixed the window will be giving us a quote on a new front door. Talk meandered to the pole barn with thoughts of replacing it or painting it. Julianna reminded us of her idea to make a memorial garden where people can buy engraved bricks.
Tim transitioned to a concern about the town's vision for the future and some talk of consolidating libraries. This led to a session of riffing and brainstorming this group is famous for. Fundraising ideas were floated from food trucks to craft fairs to open mic nights. It was decided

we would participate in the Village Wide Christmas celebration (Saturday Nov. 30) and our own Christmas Celebration would be Wed. Dec. 11. A possible Halloween haunted house was also brought up … more discussions to follow.

Around the Table:

Tim: In 2025 we should look at closing the library for a week and maybe staying open for a few minor holidays.

The rest of us must have petered out from the lively chatter about fundraising ideas for we all responded with “All Good!”

Respectfully submitted,

Mindy Smart,
Secretary