

Solomon Wright Public Library Trustees Meeting

May 10, 2021 6:30pm

Present: Bob Case (virtually), Karen Gallese, Kaitlyn Hunt, Willy Jones, Becca Martin, Mary Natalizia, Jen Ryan, Sarah Sanfilippo.

Not Present: Julius Rosenwald.

Minutes from the March 7th meeting were approved unanimously.

Director's report:

- Library reopened on April 5, and hours have been extended.
- We were awarded an ALA Libraries Transforming Communities grant for \$3,000. Jen will be working with the Pownal Parks & Rec committee to develop a feature at the park next to Town Hall.
- Monthly newsletter is on issue three. Thirty-seven digital subscribers, and 30 printed issues are distributed around town.
- In-person outdoor programming will resume.
- We've had a Gazebo donated by Jenni and Mike Slattery.
- Programming, including VT Reads, Dragon egg hunt (in lieu of a 2021 VT Fairy Tale Fest), and Summer Reading, are all in the works.
- Would like to hold a book sale this summer.

Treasurer's report was shared; current statements from the various accounts, and a donation update.

Board Book revision was approved unanimously.

COVID-19 Policy update was approved unanimously.

Renovation update.

- Scott is back in the area, and working on a quote for painting, and walkway work. Walkway will be extended to define parking area.
- A shed from Tournabene's will be here in 3-4 weeks.
- Furniture will be purchased for the porch - glider, chair, table
- What about a swingset? What would be the insurance and safety implications?
- Should any money be set aside from the renovation fund for maintenance? We do already have a decent maintenance fund.

Committees:

- We should set up subcommittees of the board, that would include non-board members, to assist in tasks that need doing. Suggestions include - fundraising, booksale, annual celebration, grant research, programming (to help with implementation), etc.

- Think about it for the next meeting - Jen will set up a Google doc for people to sign up.

Other:

- Thanks to Kaitlyn & Marissa for the student art show!
- We are a FiberConnect library, managed by the state. Equipment is on its last legs, and may fail at any time. Funding is up in the air currently.