

Minutes Grand Isle Free Library
Wednesday December 12, 2018

I. Meeting called to order: 6:31pm

Board members present:

Karen Allen, Howard DeMars, Colleen Bushway, Glenda Leake, Kate O'Neill

Community Members Present: Barb Capen, Leslie Desrosiers, Jerry Hebda, Carolyn McCray
(arrived at 6:45 pm)

No matters to amend to agenda

II. Secretary's Report:

Minutes from October 8, 2018 meeting

Glenda Leake moved to accept minutes as presented; Colleen Bushway 2nd the motion, passed unanimously.

Minutes from November 12, 2018 meeting

Colleen Bushway moved to accept minutes as presented; Karen Allen 2nd the motion, passed unanimously.

III. Treasurer's Report:

Colleen Bushway went to the Eloquent Page with a few books to sell and received \$25.00 for them.

After a brief discussion, Karen Allen moved to accept the Treasurer's report as presented and Kate O'Neill 2nd the motion, passed unanimously.

IV. Librarian's Report:

Game night was a success with people wanting to meet again weekly on Tuesday nights, possibly for the winter.

Rhonda explained passive programming and has an extensive assortment of adult coloring pages, along with an assortment of pens and markers for patrons to use.

The theme for the summer reading program is Space. Rhonda has ordered supplemental items to support the program.

The librarian's training continues in Barre.

V. New Business:

a) Trash bin- Rhonda has looked into several options with the lids attached and feels that it would work if we placed a large rock in the bottom to keep the entire bin from blowing away. Glenda will work with Rhonda to purchase the new trash container.

b) Rhonda would like to purchase 8 rolling carts to expand our book storage. They would be ADA compliant and every space has been measured to assure this. Colleen states that

we have monies earned from the Russell Fund and book sales and independent donations that would cover the purchase of the 8 carts (approximately \$2400.00).

c) Rhonda is trying not to over-weed the collection but we will still need to store some of the books. The town has approved use of part of the upstairs of the annex for storage.

d) Rhonda handed out the rough draft for the town report. Colleen has offered to help her flesh it out with information from last year's programming.

e) We discussed the date and time of future meetings and looked at whether it would be advantageous to change the weekly night of the meeting to make it easier for the Library Director to attend. At this point Rhonda is unsure of her upcoming schedule so there will be no change in our meeting days and times.

f) Budget for 2019-2020 fiscal year: The furniture/ fixtures budget will be increased as Rhonda feels there is a need for an easel and whiteboard. Additionally we may need to purchase new chairs. With the exception of the salary line item, the budget was settled for the upcoming year. Colleen will get the budget to the Town on Friday as requested.

g) Carolyn McCray wanted to discuss the minutes of the June 2018 meeting. She feels that she was misunderstood at that meeting and wanted the minutes to be changed. It was explained that the minutes had been approved and could not be changed but that we would make a note in the current minutes. Carolyn does not believe that the Library Board of Trustees needs the approval of the Selectboard for our decisions.

h) Leslie and Carolyn asked about the progress of getting together with Joy from the Department of Libraries. Karen replied that it was status quo; she had not heard anything. Deb Bedrin was supposed to contact Joy again and ask that Joy contact Karen who would then work with the South Hero Library chair to set up a joint meeting. Leslie and Carolyn's recollection of that discussion was different than that of the Library Board who understood that the next step was in Deb and Joy's hands. Karen pointed out that the discussion had been noted in the October minutes.

VI. Executive Session:

Kate O'Neill moved to enter Executive session; Glenda Leake 2nd, passed unanimously.

Enter Executive Session: 8:00 pm

Exit Executive Session 8:32 pm

Karen Allen made a motion to increase the Library Director's hours for the 2019-2020 fiscal year, from 23 hours to 26 hours per week and to have her receive the benefits due per town employee guidelines. Glenda Leake 2nd; passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:34pm. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 11, 2019.

Respectfully submitted,
Kate O'Neill
Secretary