

GRAND ISLE FREE LIBRARY

Minutes, December 14, 2015

Trustees Present: Carolyn McCray, Kate O'Neill, Colleen Bushway, Karen Allen

Trustees Absent: None (Fifth library position is vacant until March election)

Others present: None

The meeting opened at 6:12 pm.

- I. Secretary's Report: Copies of the Minutes from the October 12, 2015 meeting were available, allowing time for the trustees to review and comment. Kate moved to approve the Minutes as written; Carolyn seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.
- II. Treasurer's Report – Treasurer's Report was handed out and reviewed. There was a brief discussion about the amounts listed and suggestion for budget presentation that would make the remaining balances more evident. Kate moved to accept the report with the suggested corrections; Colleen seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.
- III. Librarian's Report: Kathy's report was presented in her absence due to a recent death in her family. Kate moved to accept the report as written. Colleen seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.
- IV. Old Business
 - a. The results of the survey distributed during the summer and fall were examined. Overall, patrons seem to be pleased with the library, its services and especially the friendly customer service provided by Kathy, the librarian. Some patrons seem unaware of the full realm of services/access which the library provides and we need to work to make that more evident to the public in general. There were some who would appreciate increased space and hours, which is understandable.
 - b. The painting that had been displayed over the library fireplace was returned to the artist's family.
 - c. The library is interested in acquiring a projector in an effort to provide movie nights to the patrons. We will investigate the estimated cost of a projector and look into how one might be afforded. Perhaps the cost could be shared by the library budget and funding from the Friends of the Library.
- V. New Business
 - a. The draft of the blurb to be included in the town report about the library was reviewed. Kate moved to accept the draft as written and approve publication in the report. Carolyn seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.
 - b. Lucy Gordon had been contacted by the chair of the South Hero Library in an effort to reopen discussion about a possible shared community library. The pros and cons of such a possibility were discussed and it was determined that, in the interest of fulfilling our duties to the Grand Isle residents, the trustees should look into the matter further and find out what our patrons would like.
 - c. The library trustees want to show their support for Kathy during her time of grief and will make a donation to a charity of her choice.

- d. It was suggested that, during the next meeting, we discuss the possibility of implementing a donation policy and also consider adding some kind of library time dedicated with time/space allowed for adult coloring which seems to be growing in popularity.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for February 8th.

Respectfully submitted,
Karen Allen, Secretary