

Rochester Public Library Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, May 11, 2021
Via Zoom

Present:

Trustees – Kelly Kelly, Tony Goupee, Sandy Lincoln, Barbara Shenton and Jolanta Labejsza

Librarian – Jeannette Bair

Meeting began: 6:00 pm

Public Communications/Comments: None

Board Communications/Comments: Tony reported that he attended the latest Selectboard meeting and found out that painting of the library is on hold for now while Frank is looking for another painter.

Secretary's Report:

Motion was made to accept the April minutes as presented. All were in favor.

Review of Action Items:

Action items – all were completed.

Treasurer's Report:

Barb emailed budget reports to all.

Motion was made to approve the reports as presented.

Librarian's Report:

Jeannette went over some items from her emailed report.

She noted that there was enough money in the checking account to most likely cover this FY's bills. Motion was made not to take the second draw from the FY 2020/21 investments. All were in favor.

Jeannette also reported that 2 charges amounting to \$1,200 that were not for her medical care were identified by both her and Julie. They were withdrawn from the employer's side and so Julie needs to follow up on that.

Motion was made to approve the librarian's report as presented. All were in favor.

New Business:

Piano - the library will not be able to accept a donation of a piano as it is too big to be transported upstairs. Another offer was made of a lease of a small, but very good piano. Motion was made to lease the piano and acquire an adequate insurance for it. All were in favor.

Motion was made to eliminate the book sale upstairs. All were in favor.

Friends of the library - it would be wise to form this group for grant opportunities. All will think about it and seek volunteers.

DVDs: they are not being checked out anymore.

Motion was made to stop buying DVDs and use funds toward purchase of e-books and streaming. All were in favor.

Attraction sites passes: cardholders over the age of 18 and in good library standing residing in other towns will now be able to check out attraction passes. A change in the policy will reflect this.

Old Business:

Library Art - Jeannette will further investigate this venue.

Cook Book - money was raised to cover the printing costs, but more is needed as a fundraising project. More recipes, esp. for breads and appetizers would be welcome.

Action Items:

All trustees will seek volunteers for the Friends of the Library Group and think of recipes to submit.

Jeannette will further investigate the Library of Art venture.

Barbara will talk to Julie about Jeannette's HRA account.

Kelly and Sandy will sign warrants.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:29 pm.

Next Regular Meeting: June 8th at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Jola Labejsza, Secretary