

Haston Library Trustee Meeting Minutes

September 14th, 2023 @6pm

Town Clerk's Office

Call to order: Called to order at 6:06pm by Chair Deb Grennon

Agenda Amendments:

Attendance: Deb Grennon, Corinna Stanley, Victoria Jacobs, Brenna Sturtevant, Millie Richard, Allison Franklin, Jen Raynak, and Library Director Josh Worman.

Public Comments: none

Review and Sign Warrants

Correspondence: none

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: M Corinna to accept the minutes, seconded. No discussion. Carried unanimously to accept.

Treasurer's Report: M Jen SC unanimously to accept the report as written. There was some general discussion, but none of it pertained to the Treasurer's Report.

Library Director's Report/Strategic Plan Updates:

Josh was satisfied with the summer overall. Good attendance in July, less so in August. This varies year-to-year. Cassie has some good ideas, and Josh is encouraging her to develop even more.

Josh had new magnets and bookmarks printed with the library's information on them.

ILL is up, mostly as a result of "one voracious reader".

Strategic Plan: No updates.

Committee Updates:

Policy Committee:

The committee presented a new Collection Development Policy, which was based

on policies from several other libraries. There was discussion regarding the links, especially from an accessibility standpoint.

M Corinna S to accept the policy with the addition of footnotes with the linked URLs. Carried unanimously.

Old Business:

July and August wrap-up

Attendance and fundraising numbers are in the Librarian's Report.

Due North Fundraiser postmortem:

- There could be more advertising, starting earlier, for LCCA inclusion
- roadside sign could include that the event is a library benefit
- clipboard for people to sign up for newsletter
- clicker to count how many people are attending
- board with upcoming events
- bring discarded kids books to give away
- let people know they can bring their own pop-up tents
- create an event on Facebook so that people get reminders
- could use QR codes if there were wifi
- could also bring some checkable outable items for advertising

There have been more requests for phone books. Kim and Jen can do the phone numbers part and the formatting, but other people will have to do the fundraising.

Victoria showed an example of an ad for the library in a publication from 2007.

Deb talked about the marionette performance. It was very good, but the attendance was small. Discussion about how to get more people to shows. It will be discussed further in the Strategic Plan Committee.

New Business:

Strategic Plan for 2024-26

Committee is Jen, Allison, and Brenna.

Meeting date and location will be discussed in emails.

Budget for 2024-2025

Millie, Deb, and Josh

Corinna is available to advise/assist.

The committee will meet the first week of October, location TBD.

Other Business: none

Member Concerns:

Victoria has put together a binder of the items in the “Library of Things”. Thank you, Vicky! Jen and Josh will work together to add these items to the website.

There was discussion about where to hang the quilt from Nancy Magnant.

M Victoria SC unanimously to adjourn.

Adjourned at 6:51pm.

Submitted by Jen Raynak

The next meeting will be October 12th, 2023, at 6pm in the Town Clerk’s Office.