

Hazard Library Association

Board of Trustees Meeting

October 17, 2012 Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 7:05. Present were Ken Knight, Jay Ardai, Kris Minster, Amy Emerson, Denise Littlejohn, Kathy Bailey, and Library Director Sally Otis. Rachel Karn was excused.

Librarian's Report: Linda has submitted a final report on the 2012 Summer Reading Program (separate page). State funds for next year's program will be handled by the Auburn Public Theater. Hopes are high that this will result in a more streamlined process.

The Circulation Desk has a new computer. Sally and Linda are adapting to a different email program, etc. Many thanks to Jay for countless hours spent working on our faulty internet connection, and to Suzanne for discovering cords plugged into the wrong places.

Sally reports a successful start to Story Hour, and a well-attended Community Read. Local history seems to generate a lot of interest.

The Friends of the Tomkins County Public Library have given \$500 to Aurora and Hazard Libraries for the purchase of audio-visual equipment needed for the Rosen Grant program. Elaine Meyers will donate a laptop computer, and the \$500 will be used to purchase a projector.

Cayuga Connect is still a work in progress. Sally recommends changing our overdue fines to bring us more in line with other libraries in the county. The Board approved a motion to charge \$1 per open library day for DVDs and .50 for videos. (Jay/Kris)

The U.S. Postal Service is still seeking public input regarding their plans to either close the Poplar Ridge facility or reduce hours of operation to 2 per day.

The Board voted to approve updated versions of our Materials Selection Policy (Kris/Amy) and our Library Assistant Pay Policy (Kris/Jay). Policies regarding the Library Director's pay and benefits still need to be approved following review.

Treasurer's Report: NYSEG is offering to conduct a free energy audit of our lighting, with a 70% discount on replacement lighting. Their offer is good until 2015, so we will hold off for now, in hopes that the Postal Service will know what their plans are by then.

New Business: Ken is trying to improve our internet access, possibly via BOCES, linking into the cable used by SCCS. Jay questions what the monthly cost would be, and whether grant money might be available.

Kris reports that the search committee for Library Director has started placing ads and will meet twice more before Christmas.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00