Hazard Library Board of Trustees

Minutes to the Meeting

May 9, 2016

Meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm.

**Attendance:** Denise Littlejohn, President; Nancy Hart Secretary; Lisa Semenza, Director; Kathy Button; Kathy Kirk; Ron Buxenbaum; Annie Zygarowicz.

**We welcomed** to Annie to our board and thank her for her service!

**February Minutes still** unavailable. Denise will contact Kathy Bailey.

**March Minutes** were reviewed. Kathy B. moved and Ron seconded approval and vote was unanimous to approve minutes.

**Webmaster:** Suzanne no longer wishes to be our webmaster. Annie offered, but is not comfortable using Word Press. Our website is hosted Host Monster, and Lisa posts updates on Google Calendar, which upload to the website automatically. Lisa can upload minutes to the website, and Eric at FLLS can help if necessary.

Suzanne is willing to help whomever takes over. Lisa will do the day to day updates to the webpage.

**Librarian’s Report:**

* The library received a $20 donation from the Roundabout club.
* Lisa will add the recent email financial votes to the March Minutes.
* Cayuga Connect met March 16th, and we are the only county in the FLLS not receiving direct County funding for our libraries and the system.
* County libraries will have a presence at Tomato Fest. Annie asked if this could be a fundraiser.
* The system-wide library cards will go in to effect in September. There will still be borrowing restrictions at Seymour Library.
* The e-rate request has been filed at the new lower percentage.
* The literacy committee is continuing to meet and is planning the summer reading program.
* This winter’s school door decoration contest participating classrooms will each receive the book that was the theme of their door. The winners will receive 10 books for the classroom. This is funded by the Rosen grant. Peachtown will also receive funds from this grant for books and programs.
* The Summer Reading theme is “On your mark, get set, read!”
* Summer Reading: Two Survey Monkey surveys about wants and needs for Summer reading, one for adults and one for children have been launched. Survey Monkey will tabulate results.
* New, simpler reading logs will be used this summer. They will ask participants to simply check a box each time they read for 15 minutes. This will provide a fairer comparison of reading rates and is more child-friendly. Kathy K suggested that stickers might be fun for children to use to record reading times. The log will be included in the next Rambling Reporter. There has been some work on developing an online reporting system.
* Michelle Miller will be stepping down from our paid summer reading position. Brian Hoke will take over as our Media Specialist. We may also hire a second person.
* Linda, Rachel and Lisa attended The FLLS summer reading program meeting on 3/24.
* Book club met on 4/6 at Sally Oits’ house to discuss Anne Lamott’s Help, Thanks, Wow. 13 members attended. The author spoke in Auburn on 4/8.
* Lisa attended a FLLS “Minecraft” training on 4/7.
* Lisa attended the Youth Services conference in Albany on 4/15
* Lisa and Rachel attended an FLLS Advocacy training on 4/21. Presented a number of strategies learned at the meeting. It was suggested that the board include an advocacy position.
* Rachel and Sandy gave books and bookmarks of K-6 children at EH on 4/22, providing reading material for Spring Break.
* 4/26 Spring Break family program: Chinese Read and Sing-a-long was presented by Jesse Hoselton. 11 people attended. And it was a great success. Jesse will do three programs in August, and we will close the summer program with a Chinese meal and music by Jim VanArsdale.
* Summer Science programs will happen on Tuesdays.
* 4/24: Lisa attended the YSS planning meeting for next year’s conference, to be held in Ithaca.
* Community Read was 5/4 in the SCCS High School Library. 17 people attended. Author Linda Sue Park will be speaking at SCCS on 5/24, preceded by a community dinner at 6 pm.
* Lisa attended a Word Press training on 5/5. Added a “contact us” page to our website and updated our Board member list.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Not available this meeting. We will table discussion of the Post Office lease until Amy is here.

**Discussed** Rachel’s move to Texas. She is leaving the end of May but wants to stay on the board. Denise mentioned that it is important that we have local members to guarantee a quorum at meetings. She will speak to Amy about whether Rachel can maintain her position from out of town. Ron mentioned that if she could not remain on the board, she would have to officially resign.

**Hoopla Movie Streaming:** If Hazard patrons begin using Hoopla more frequently, we should reconsider paying for the service.

**Book Sale Dates:** July 30 – August 6. Kathy B will contact the Fire Department ;to request tables and request a Certificate of insurance for the sale. The book donation sign is back up at old Emily Howland.

**Hot water heater and sump pump** are again not working. Kathy B moved and Nancy seconded a motion and unanimous approval was given for Ron and Ken to replace the water heater, at a cost of up to $600.00.

**Pot holes:** Ron will ask Phil Collins to fill pot holes along 34B. Ron will report on cost and action at the next meeting.

**Child Internet Protection Act progress:**  We will be able to decide on what sites and information we will filter.

**Book Sale signage:** Kathy B asked whether we thought 9 small roadside signs are enough. At the June meeting, Kathy will report on where these signs went in the past and where we might need more. Annie suggested we look into banners at main intersections, e.g. In King Ferry, at about $80 each.

**A new “Book Nook”** reading area has been set up at EH. It is very successful at encouraging children to read.

**Next Meeting:**  6/13/16, 7 pm.

**Meeting Adjourned 8:30** pm. (Moved by Kathy B., 2nd by Kathy K.)