

HAZARD LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

June 9, 2014 Minutes

Meeting was called to order at 6:37 p.m. Present were Rachel Karn (president), Amy Emerson (treasurer), Lisa Semenza (library director), Kris Minster, Denise Littlejohn, Ron Buxenbaum, Dan Thayer, Kathy Button and Kathy Bailey (secretary).

MOTION: To approve minutes for May meeting (Denise/Amy). All in favor.

Ken Knight stopped by to report on his search for a contractor to do needed repairs to the building's exterior. Dave Marion is qualified to handle lead paint removal, as well as carpentry work.

MOTION: To hire Dave Marion for building repairs at a cost of up to \$6,000. (Denise/Amy) All in favor.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT:

Lisa attended the most recent Falcon's meeting and reports that Polaris is in the process of switching to a web-based system. This, of course, will mean increased fees. More details to come... Lisa also attended the Rochester teen book festival with a group of students and librarians from Aurora and SCCS. Linda attended a meeting concerning next year's arts grant, and Lisa attended an e-reader training session.

The SCCS Literacy Committee finalized plans to promote summer reading, including opening the school library once a week. "Little Free Library" boxes will be set up at various locations in the community—boxes donated by the Auburn Citizen.

MOTION: To sponsor a book box for 1 year at a cost of \$34.95 (Kris/Kathy Button). All in favor.

Lisa reports that one fire extinguisher has been replaced following an inspection.

A going-away party for Joanne Kopp was held at the library on May 29th. We miss her already. Lisa will take over volunteer scheduling for now.

MOTION: To amend our current budget to allow \$8,000 for books and \$1,000 for other media. (Amy/Kathy Button) All in favor.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Amy reports a quiet month. She filed a 990 form with our accountant to confirm the library's nonprofit status. She also received a bill from our cleaner ahead of the work being done, and will look into whether this is standard procedure.

The question of how to pay for building repairs was raised. Using money from our annual fundraising campaign was suggested.

Amy would like to consult with an investment councilor before moving funds out of the Dreyfus account.

MOTION: To allow Amy to explore options for investing library funds (Kris/Dan). All in favor.

MOTION: To accept Treasurer's report (Kathy Button/Ron). All in favor.

OLD BUSINESS:

FLOODING: Ron has fixed the broken downspout. Two perimeter drains were installed in the past, but are no longer proving effective. There is at least one layer of wet books in the basement—we will need to make arrangements for removal.

MOTION: To allow Ron to hire whatever professional service he deems necessary to diagnose our flooding issues (Kris/Amy). All in favor.

BOOK SALE: The book sale will be held August 2-9 at the firehouse. Set-up will begin on July 28th. We will not be accepting remainders from other book sales.

OUTDOOR BOOK DROP: Discussion tabled pending further research.

NEW BUSINESS:

Lisa would like us to start thinking about our computer needs for next year. Should the card catalogue computer be replaced? Do we still need three public access computers? Also, WiFi service has been spotty at best.

Keith Batman's suggestion that Hazard and Aurora Libraries share financial resources was declined.

Our next meeting will be July 21st at 6:30, as Amy Zuch from FLLS plans to join us.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30