

Hazard Library Association Board of Trustees
Minutes: Monday, July 15, 2019

Present: Kathy Button, Richard Harrison, Nancy Hart, Ron Buxenbaum, Connie Rejman, Betsy Donald, Lisa Semenza. **Guest:** Ken Belles.

Absent: Patricia Covert, Doug Hastings, Laura Talcott

President, Nancy Hart, called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m.

Secretary's Report: In the minutes from the June meeting, in the Treasurer's Report, change self-contained to restricted account. Motion to approve as amended- Kathy B., 2nd - Rich. Carried.

Lisa's Library Report:

June 5 - Book Club met at Janet Reohr's to discuss "Exit West" by Mohsin Hahmid. 7 attended.

June 7 - Sandy & Lisa visited UPK & Head Start Classes for monthly Story Time.

June 10 - Cayuga Connect Meeting was held in Auburn: 1) Lisa Carr & Lisa reported back on May, 2019 DAC meeting. 2) County funding was discussed. Future funding is up in the air for libraries.

Note: The Cayuga County budget has restored funding to libraries for 2019. The new legislative chair, Tucker Whitman, is not in favor of library funding, so it will be a continuing battle in the future. Our representatives, Keith Batman and Joe DeForrest are both pro-library. 3) Brochures containing information for {all county libraries} will be updated as some information is outdated and the goal is to have the information contained in them all-made uniform.

June 17 - Sandy and Lisa attended Pre-K graduation & had a table with our services. Hazard gave out 2 new library cards.

June 18 - Final Story Hour and party on the lawn.

June 20 - Pre-K concert by Judy Stock was held at school so the Pre-K classes could attend. All Story Hour and other preschool families had been invited but only one family came. There was flooding that day. The classes enjoyed the program a lot.

June 24 - Sandy and Lisa attended the Final Assembly/6th grade graduation. They are always given a chance to promote Summer Reading and do a little cheer (did a space countdown this year). Brian Hoke passed out reading logs and our promo book marks to all students during the last week of school.

July 2 - Summer Reading Kick-Off "Big Game Day" - 35 people participated over the course of the day. We are currently tracking 81 people (which includes 26 adults and 8 teens). There will be 33 students who will be participating in the reading tutor program at the school (not yet included in the numbers). This is week 3 already for our weekly ice cream cone drawing for Cream at the Top. There are 3 drawings a week (Adult, Teen, and Child up to 6th grade).

July 3 - Book Club met at Aurora Library to discuss "Under the Wide and Starry Sky" by Nancy Horan. 7 attended.

July 4 - Library was closed for the holiday.

July 9 - 32 people attended Science on the Lawn with Magic Marlin. He did a great job incorporating science, space, and magic into his show and appealed to all ages. (Kids 2-10 attended).

July 11 - Miss Angie did a Shadow Puppet Workshop. 6 children & 4 adults attended. It was a huge success for all who participated. They were really creative & each had a chance to do their own show.

July 11 - Dawn Sedorus picked up stored books and she will be taking care of stocking/restocking all the Little Free Libraries this summer --Funded via Rosen Grant.

UPCOMING:

July 16 - 1) This is the first day of the Summer Tutoring Grant. There will be 2 groups (16-17 each). 2) The Reading Tutoring program (each Tuesday for 6 weeks) will have students coming over to participate in science activities & check out books. Science activities will be run twice (10:00 & 12:30 - hence lunch is needed). The school will also be running 4 weeks of science camps & those students will also be participating in our activities. We will run programs T, W, TH each week until Aug. 22. Volunteers always welcome.

July 20-27 - Lisa will be out of town.

Additional Info: 1) Lisa mentioned several small projects Seth repaired/replaced including the flush toilet handle, electric outlet in the adult fiction area, and the keyboard drawer for the public computer on the desk. 2) The surge protector/battery backup was replaced. 3) In reference to the Cyber Hacking Insurance Policy, the Board did not feel we needed this. However Nancy will check into this further with the insurance company. 4) A patron has volunteered to weed or remove plants from under the spruce tree.

Treasurer's Report: Since Laura was not in attendance, we did not vote on the report. Rich had questioned some negatives in the expense accounts in the last treasurer's report. (About \$2,500). Most are under restricted funds and has to be a separate listing in the budget.

BOOK SALE:

1) The tables are coming over on Friday morning from the school. 2) Books will be set up starting Monday. 3) Kathy brought the signs and each board member took some to be set up ASAP in specific locations. 4) There needs to be a board member present each evening for counting and signing the total amount, as well as: (Getting the key at the book sale for EH, check the bins for books left --if a small amount, bring to sale and place in proper sale areas. If larger amount, put in sorting room at EH. 5) The Cayuga County Work Crew is moving books. Peter Dalton and Kathy's husband will have their trucks available. 6) Signs for prices will be at the Book Sale. The first weekend will be double the price. Monday - Friday will be regular prices, and Saturday will be the \$4/bag sale. 7) More volunteers are needed for set up, sale times, and packing on Sat. as well as moving the books to Ithaca on Tuesday.

Old Business---

Post Office Space update: Rich reported that Shawn Weston replaced Paul Frye. The letter we sent was forwarded on July 8 to Denver. Rich has a return receipt that the letter was delivered today. It

seems that the letter may be in the hands of a person who may be willing to work with us, however, the Union Springs Post Master is in charge of the Poplar Ridge Post Office. She thinks they need all the space in the Poplar Ridge Post Office. A plan is needed and the Library/Post Office Committee will continue to meet.

Computers: The computers are all ordered. Ours are not in yet.

Septic Alarm: The septic was full. Kesslers think the tank is 1,000 gallons. Ron thinks it is much smaller. Lisa asked why it is in need of being pumped so much more than in past years. Should we be replacing the toilet with a low flow model? A motion was made by Betsy and 2nd by Kathy to replace both toilets (PO and Lib.). Carried. Can use Nozzolio funding - Emergency replacement.

Computer Battery Replacement: The surge protector/battery backup was replaced.

New Business/Announcements:

Ukulele Camp - Will be starting on July 24.

Computer Needs: Lisa will order updated Microsoft Office for the 2 new computers. From TechSoup which cost \$29 for each license. We are now all set and registered with an account.

Porch Light: We have not heard from Saxton Electric about replacing the porch light.

The meeting adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Betsy Donald, Secretary