

## Hazard Library Association Board of Trustees Meeting

Monday, December 6, 2021

The meeting was held at Opendore.

**PRESENT:** Connie Rejman, Sandra Chandler, Bess Simkin, Deb Beyea, Patricia Covert, Pat Berry, Sonjia Turner, and Lisa Semenza.

**ABSENT:** Beth Frazier

President, Connie Rejman called the meeting to order at 6:41pm.

**SECRETARY'S REPORT:** A motion was made by Connie and seconded by Patricia to accept the secretary's report with noted change to the Director's Report. Carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** The November 2021 bank statement shows \$500 more than what Patricia has in her records. Patricia will investigate this discrepancy and we will vote on the November Treasurer's Report in January. This month the library paid bills for septic pumping, snow removal, and lawn mowing. The budget is due next month. A motion was made by Deb and seconded by Pat to accept the Treasurer's Report for OCTOBER. Carried.

### **LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

#### **Library Director's Report**

(Lisa Semenza)

December 6, 2021

*November 9 – Finger Lakes Member Support Group meeting held on Zoom*

*We were closed on Nov 11<sup>th</sup> (Veteran's Day) and Nov 25<sup>th</sup> (Thanksgiving).*

*November 16– Sandy and I did our monthly story time visit to the UPK and Head Start classes with a "thankful" theme.*

*November 17 – Sarah held the monthly Directors Meeting on Zoom.*

*November 18 – FALCONS meeting held on Zoom. FLLS has received ARPA funding (American Rescuse Plan Act) which will be used toward upgrading the Meraki routers for libraries which have them. This is used for our wifi and we are able to access data about internet usage this way. Rex is also able to monitor activity remotely through the routers.*

*November 27 – We have been continuing to weed books and DVDs from the shelves. Seth moved about 8 boxes down to Emily Howland for sorting.*

*December 1 – Book Club met at Opendore to plan our reading list for 2022. Elaine Meyers and Arline Clair read "The Gift of the Magi" to us and we reinstated our annual cookie exchange. There were 14 people in attendance.*

*December 2 – We are offering Reading Challenge Calendars to adults and Grinch Advent Calendars to children.*

### ***Upcoming***

*December 21 – December Pre-K Story Time at Emily Howland*

*December 25 – We will be closed for Christmas Day*

*January 1 – We will be closed for New Year's Day*

### ***Items to Discuss***

- *Patricia and I will present a budget at the January meeting for approval.*
- *Does anyone want to decorate the porch? We have lights to hang.*
- *We have received our \$50,000 from the school district and Patricia has it to deposit. We will need to decide if we will stay at that rate or ask for more at this year's school board election in May. It looks like our county funding will stay at the same level as last year without having to fight for it.*
- *Donation to Opendore for use?*

### **ITEMS for DISCUSSION:**

**PORCH DECORATING:** Bess will hang lights on library porch.

**SCHOOL DISTRICT FUNDS:** We have received \$50,000 from the school district. We discussed the possibility of asking for an increase of this funding at this year's school board election to keep pace with inflation.

**OPENDORE DONATION:** We agreed to give Opendore a donation for the use of its space for our monthly book clubs and board meetings. A motion was made by Pat and seconded by Sonjia for the library to donate \$25 per meeting for those held in 2021. Carried. A motion was made by Patricia and seconded by Pat to make an annual donation of \$600 to Opendore for the use of its space for library meetings for 2022. Carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:** NA

**NEW BUSINESS:** We stuffed envelopes for the annual appeal. Larry Liberatore will present his architectural renderings at our January meeting.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Sandra will donate tiles and installation for the library bathroom.

**NEXT MEETING:** Monday, January 17, 2022, at 7:00pm via Zoom.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sonjia Turner