

February 15, 2022: Clifton Community Library Minutes

Body:

Clifton Community Library
Board of Trustees Minutes
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Present: President Cindy Whitmore, Nicole Curry, JoAnn Young, Don Lashomb, Kathy Gill, Director Heather Nichols, Julie Lanphear.

Absent: None.

The meeting was held in the Community Room and called to order at 6:01 pm by President Cindy Whitmore.

Public Comment:

Julie asks about our hosting an AARP safe driving course again. Heather says Sandy is reaching out to them. Cindy says that in that area maybe Office of the Aging would be helpful as well.

Friends of the Library Report:

Heather says Marilyn emailed her. The Friends renewed their contribution for large-print books. She has also contacted Jon Foster and the Nelson Brothers (whose rate has gone up from \$1,000 to \$1,200) for summer concerts. Cindy says (and board agrees) that we can't firmly commit right now because it's so many months off, but we probably will be able to help as usual.

Correspondence/Communications:

None.

Minutes of the previous meeting are approved: Motion by Nicole, seconded by JoAnn.

Financial Report is accepted.

Report of the Library Director was accepted.

Old Business

Pandemic response update: The NY state mask mandate was lifted. We will lift mask mandate in library for vaccinated patrons and will not be asking for proof of vaccination.

Playaways are still going quite strong, with patrons saying they were easy and fun to use. Cindy suggests patrons who use them provide blurbs in the Bargain Hunter.

New Business

For our website's Community Page, describing things to do in the area, Heather has reached out to Mark Friedan for input. Cindy suggests getting in touch with the Office for the Aging. Don suggests getting in touch with Otto's Abode. This portion of the website should be up by end of the week. Save Our Schoolhouse in Star Lake has reached out to us about posting the White Out Weekend schedule.

Wednesday night patronage is up, with more families with children coming in.

Our Wild Center pass (two passes) returned in January and has been checked out once.

Annual Report has been sent in to NCLS, and they will send it along to NY state. Once it is approved, the town board should also get a copy.

A speaker on loons will come on July 16th at 1pm. The fee will be \$151.97, for the speaker and mileage.

On June 11th we could host the author of the *It's a Wild Idea* book. The author lives quite a distance away and asks for mileage reimbursement of approximately \$200. We think we should make sure to advertise quite a lot in order to make the appearance worth it for us and for the author.

Starting 2023 board members should have two hours of training per year. Training will be offered by providers approved by an NCLS commission, and we will have options. For a few years the board has thought that trustees should be trained to check books in and out of the library, so this might be a good opportunity for that. Relatedly, we might also produce a line-by-line guide for how to check a book out, so that all workers and assistants would have it to refer to if needed.

Nicole is in the process of signing the final bank papers so she can sign checks for the library.

Next monthly meeting: Tuesday, March 15, 2022 at 6:00 pm.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:29 pm. Motion by Don, seconded by Kathy.

Don Lashomb

Secretary