

Brownell Library Trustees Meeting
Minutes, May 21 2019
Minutes taken by Beth Custer

Brownell Trustees in attendance: Christine Packard, Carrie Egan, Spencer Messier, Andy Kolovos, Sheila Porter, Dottie Bergendahl, Joe Knox, Helen Donahey, Anne Wadsworth

Foundation members in attendance: Linda Hasan

Brownell Staff in attendance: Wendy Hysko, Erna Deutsch

Meeting called to order by Christine Packard at 7:00pm

1. Agenda Changes/Deletions

No changes to the agenda

2. Minutes of Tuesday, April 16, 2019

Dottie Bergendahl moved to accept the minutes as written, Sheila Porter 2nd. Minutes passed.

3. Financial Report

The budget is looking good for the remainder of the year and will not run over.

4. Announcements

No new announcements

5. Reports

Library Director and Staff Report (enc)

There is concern over the bullying that is occurring during Magic. The staff has moved Magic into the main library so they can monitor activities. Due to lack of interest and bullying they may suspend Magic for the time being.

Proposed background checks and the sometimes false sense of security they may provide was discussed.

6. Committee Reports Strategic Planning Committee

Still in the process of collecting data. The next meeting in June 3rd at noon.

7. Foundation Report

Linda attended the foundation/ trustee conference at UVM on May 21st she reported that it was a good event, but attendance was down due to the mid week conference instead of a weekend.

The foundation is looking to have a seller come into the book room to see if any of the older books may be of value. They are also looking to have canvas bags donated to replace the plastic bags they currently use.

8. Old Business

Municipal Social Media Policy

Wendy, Christine and Hannah met with Evan to talk about the social media being drafted by the Administration and what it would mean for the library as there is already a policy in place. He seemed to be ok with Amendments for the library if it is determined by the Library Trustees amendments are

necessary when the new policy for the municipalities is adopted because the Brownell Library Trustees are the group in charge of library policies.

Memorial Day Parade Book Sale

Meet at 8:00am to gather books to bring up for the book sale. The sale starts at 8:30am. The Trustees will be in charge of the book room sales until June 8th and will keep the proceeds during that time.

9.New Business

Review Public Meeting Law as it pertains to Meeting Minutes - Minutes must be published within 5 days of the meeting. We reviewed the procedure to be taken by the recording officer.

Facility and Book Room Review- a tour of the facilities was provided by staff in attendance.

Municipal Alignment Update

There will be a meeting June 22nd for all department heads to meet with Selectboard and Village Trustees to discuss the alignment process.

As a board we appreciate the time and energy that Wendy and Staff have put into these alignment meetings, but feel that it has taken up a lot of Wendy's work time that could be spent in other ways for something that may not even pass the vote in November 2020.

10. Adjournment

Dottie moved to adjourn the meeting, Andy 2nd. The meeting was adjourned at 8:38pm