

Minutes for
Library Board of Trustees
Regular meeting – January 25, 2022
Main Library Room.

1. Call to Order
 - a. 5:01 pm
2. Roll Call
 - a. In Person. Alice, Ruth, Alicia, Julie, Jill, and Dan (minutes).
3. Approval of Agenda
 - a. Jill 1st. Ruth 2nd. All in Favor
4. Public Comment
 - a. No Public present.
5. Approval of minutes
 - a. Jill 1st. Ruth 2nd. All in Favor
6. Review Bills and Budget
 - a. Reviewed during the meeting. No questions.
7. Directors Report
 - a. MLA updates – Link emailed.
 - b. Toddler Time. Ended with a few more kids last week.
 - c. Teen council ended up getting cancelled because the school was virtual that week.
 - d. Book Club – went great.
 - e. Festival of Trees was a great success – 770 + 300 +100
 - f. State Aid – haven't heard back yet, so we are hoping no news is good news.
 - g. End of Year Stats – see packet.
 - h. Pilcrow grant books came in. We'll have a display set up once I have them all catalogued.
 - i. Talking is teaching grand Vox books (bilingual) came in and are circulating.
 - j. Middle schoolers cancelled their visit in January because of virtual/sickness.
 - k. Peanut butter drive for Allegan County food pantry.
 - l. Township yearly stats are done, but not with new census numbers which we haven't gotten yet.
 - m. ACLA meeting was postponed because of weather.
 - n. Overdrive/Libby update – possibility of getting some new free ebooks. Overdrive not going to be in an app store anymore. Only Libby. See packet.
 - o. Winter bingo and 22 book challenge at front desk.
 - p. SRP – working on. Next week the donation letter will be completed and sent out.
 - q. Evaluation hand out and director goals.
8. Old Business
 - a. None.
9. New Business
 - a. Overview of 2021
 - i. January spent doing curbside. Opened back to the public on February 1st. We've managed to mostly stay open since.
 - ii. We were able to have the middle schools and 9th graders in still.

- iii. In February, Alicia was able to do a classroom visit to the Martin Reformed preschool classes.
 - iv. Celebrated Dr. Seuss for the whole month of March. No in person events, but we had the online story times along with take and make crafts. Also read to some classes throughout the month with zoom.
 - v. Courtney and Alicia renewed CPR certificates.
 - vi. We bought new movies and audio books with our collection development grant, and mini-computers for patrons from the Co-Op.
 - vii. Received a LSTA grand for SRP take and make crafts.
 - viii. Received a county wide grant for Vox books with the ALCA from Perrigo.
 - ix. Received a MI Hope grand for more Vox books & 'bonus' for staff.
 - x. Received a small grant from 'Talking is teaching' (Part of Great start collaborative AAESA) for bilingual Vox books.
 - xi. Was approved for the Pilcrow grant for \$1200 worth of kids books. Those are just now starting to come in.
 - xii. Summer Reading was done in person and online.
 - xiii. The heavy rain we had in June caused a small problem in the back storage room with wet carpet. Lost some sale books.
 - xiv. We collaborated with a group to do Martin Fest.
 - xv. Participated in Orangeville Community Day.
 - xvi. Tamie left us and Debie started.
 - xvii. Courtney finished relabeling our collection.
 - xviii. Regular Teen council meetings and Toddler Times started back up.
 - xix. Participated in Trunk or Treat in Orangeville.
 - xx. Book Club managed to meet in person, inside or outside.
 - xxi. Participated in Literacy Night at school.
 - xxii. Festival of Trees was a success! We had 22 trees and raised \$1150.
 - xxiii. New Santa was awesome.
 - xxiv. Writers group started back up.
 - xxv. We signed up for TALK – Text and Learn for Kindergarten.
 - xxvi. We bought a new database. A to Z World Travel.
 - xxvii. Had furnace issues – they appear to fixed now.
 - xxviii. Consumers replaced our old thermostat for a new energy efficient one.
 - xxix. Brought back the Friends Book sale – made \$380.
 - b. Calendar Year – Meeting dates proposed during meeting. 11 dates. Motioned to approve Jill 1st. Ruth 2nd. All in Favor
 - c. Appointment of Finance/Budget Committee.
 - i. Alice, Julie, and Ruth nominated. Jill 1st. Ruth 2nd. All in Favor.
 - d. Staff Evaluations. Director's evaluation and goals included in packet. Library staff reviews completed by Alicia and reviewed during meeting.
 - e. Review governing policy in March instead of circulation policy.
10. Updates on local meetings
- a. Martin Twp meeting.
 - i. Standard township meeting.
 - b. Orangeville Twp meeting.
 - i. Emailed summary sent by Alice in December.

- c. Watson Twp meeting.
 - i. Emailed summary sent by Alice in December.
 - d. Friends Meeting.
 - i. Alicia attended. No meetings in Dec or Jan. November meeting discussed reviewing the bylaws. Wish list includes a café table for the front of the library. Adult area near the yellow couch.
 - e. School Board.
 - i. School Board. Julie attended. Organization meeting this month, mostly Covid related.
11. Public Comment
- a. No public present.
12. Board Member Comment.
- a. Round table.
13. Next meeting: February 22, 2022 @ 5PM
14. Adjournment
- a. Jill 1st. Ruth 2nd. All in Favor. 5:45 pm.