

Cobleigh Public Library Trustees' Meeting

Date: January 23, 2020 **Time:** 6:00 p.m.

Attending: Cindy Karasinski, Hilary Adams, Jessica Simpson, Jan Wade, Jeanne Laughton, Lorrie Mawhinney

Minutes: Jess made motion to amend the minutes with a time change. Hilary seconded. Jeanne moved to accept amended minutes, Jan seconded.

Treasurer's Report: Jan shared budget and transaction sheet. Lorrie moved that Jan and Cindy are able to access the monthly balance sheets as needed. Hilary seconded. Motion passed.

Librarian's Report: Cindy is working on the Turrell Fund grant, due Feb. 1. Friends Bake Sale is Wed., Feb 12th from 10-5, Thurs., Feb 13 from 12-7 and Fri., Feb. 14 from 10-5. Trustees volunteered for shifts and to help solicit bakers. The next Vermont Reads book is The Hate U Give, by Angie Thomas. Lorrie will let Kim at Green Mountain Books know what book has been chosen. It was discussed that computer usage is down, while wireless usage is up. There are no hard numbers, but it might be helpful to see the data if it were available.

Old Business:

- **Library Budget**—After meeting with the Selectboard regarding the budget, an email vote was taken by the Trustees to create a budget that cut \$7,723. There was discussion regarding how the cash on hand balance was a factor in the Select Board's decision for the increased allocation of \$5,000 rather than the \$15,521 requested. Decreases are: Books--\$1,000, AV--\$1,000, programs--\$1,000, repairs--\$1,000, electricity--\$1,000, postage--\$1,000, technology--\$1,723. We discussed asking to be included in the White Market "round up" fundraiser that changes benefactors monthly.
- **Bookmobile Budget**—The Bookmobile has some major expenses coming up, including new tires.

New Business:

- **Edie Bell Brown Estate**—Some work will need to be done to prepare the house for sale. There was discussion about how to go about selling the property—whether to go through a realtor. Jeanne suggested Ernie Begin. Jay Abramson, Esq. was appointed by the Court to serve as the Fiduciary. He is currently out of town, and assessment of property is still in process.

The next meeting will be Thurs., Feb. 20th at 6:00.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm. Hilary moved to adjourn, Jan seconded.

Respectfully submitted, Jessica Simpson