

Cobleigh Public Library Trustees' Meeting

Date: March 27, 2024 **Time:** 5:30 p.m. [Jess called to order at 5:38 p.m.]

Attending: Bryn Hoffman, Sylvia Dodge, Lorrie Mawhinney, Hilary Adams, Jessica Simpson, Paula Pearce

Adjustments to Agenda:

Add under New Business - Request for Reconsideration Policy

Add under Old Business - Update about Drag Story Hour

Minutes:

Tabled for next meeting.

Treasurer's Report:

Endowment accounts recovering well

Paula will check to see if Joe (rep from EJ) can come to April meeting

Librarian's Report:

Grants

US Treasury Capital Grant application submitted

Plan for upgrades/repairs to elevator, stairway treads, windows, and more

Cultural Facilities Grant application submitted

Electrical work to switch lights to energy efficient LED compatible fixtures

Issues

Increase in patrons who are unhoused

expectations are being followed and generally people and spaces have been respected

Elevator working right now, nearing end of conditional approval

Bryn getting estimates for service and repairs, applied for grant support

Upcoming Events

Eclipse activity program

Distributing eclipse viewing glasses at events

New Knitting group on Saturdays 9AM

April 18 - hosting VT cartoonist laureate (VT Humanities/VT READS program)

April 4th - Trustee Spring Training

April 9th - Library Legislative Day in Montpelier

Contact Russ Ingalls, Dennis Labounty, Beth Quimby with requests to support S22

Friends of the Cobleigh:

Preparing for Plant Sale Fundraiser

Next meeting April 9th

Old Business:

Coin Drop Selection Update

Random selection will be used to assign dates for this year - no longer a presentation to the select board with a vote following

Bryn was able to have a conversation with select board

agreement to reconsider this process for next year

Bryn will submit possible alternatives for the process

Drag Story Hour

Date announced a bit earlier than anticipated

Conversation about Facebook posts and how best to manage them

Communications with Bryn have been fairly positive and calm

Only a few concerns/complaints; most have been positive interactions

Bryn has contacted Town & Lyndonville PD with plans

Staff has been given talking points and Bryn is fielding any tricky situations

New Business:

Request for Reconsideration of a Program Form

Addition of option to challenge a program (rather than just an item in the catalog)

Hilary made a motion to accept the Request for Reconsideration of a Program

Form. Second Sylvia. All in Favor - motion passed.

Next Meeting: Wednesday, April 24th 5:30pm

Hilary made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Sylvia. Meeting adjourned at 6:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Lorrie Mawhinney