

MINUTES OF THE NEW GLARUS PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Tuesday, March 27, 2018 - 6:30 PM

AGENDA

1. Call to Order: President Linda Hiland called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Those present, in addition to Hiland, were Bob Bergum, Jody Hoesly, Petra Streiff, Suzi Janowiak, and Library Director Lauren White. Absent: Shelly Truttmann and Kevin Budsberg.
2. Approval of Agenda: Motion by Bob Bergum to approve the agenda, 2nd by Petra Streiff . Motion carried.
3. Comments & Questions from the Public: None.
4. New Business
 - A. SCLS Adjacent County Billing: Director White advised that the LB needed to formally approve using SCLS services to determine adjacent county reimbursements. Petra Streiff moved to approve, second by Bob Bergum. Motion carried.
 - B. Village Hall Bathroom Vandalism: Director White advised the board that there have been issues with vandalism and that the village is asking library staff to be bathroom monitors after the village offices close at 4 pm. She asked for feedback from the board on ideas for how to respond. The board discussed the fact that escorting patrons back and forth to the bathrooms could leave the library unstaffed at times, and could present safety issues for library staff as well. Consensus is to suggest different solutions such as installing the proposed security cameras, and agree to the village's request on a short-term basis.
5. Old Business
 - A. Discussion and Consideration: Library Building Project: President Hiland reported that a citizen asked if the LB would consider erecting a Cleary (type) building if fundraising goals aren't met. Consensus that it is premature to consider this idea at the present time; but the board is willing to consider other options if necessary in the future.
 - B. Discussion and Consideration: Sale of West Side Site: Linda Hiland and Petra Streiff met with Administrator Gadow to discuss sale of the site. They have been in contact with local realtors to gauge interest and market conditions. They will move forward on this issue.
 - C. Discussion and Consideration: Donor Recognition: President Hiland reported that our architect Jim Gersuch had responded to our questions on options for this in the new library. He pointed out several options; and Director White has been researching others with the help of other library directors. A hybrid option is looking interesting for now (i.e. a combination of digital and physical recognition). Bob Bergum mentioned that the school district uses tv monitors throughout the schools to post photos and information for the students and staff, and that they might be a good resource for ideas and advice.
6. Reports/Discussion/Consideration:
 - A. Administration Team: Jody Hoesly attended the CFSW Open House in March and networked with their staff regarding data issues and solutions. We are eager to meet the new director at one of our future meetings. Linda Hiland reported that the interface on their donor menu page is hard to read. Jody Hoesly reported that online donations do not get reported back to the team as mailed donations do, causing unnecessary headaches for the team. She will continue to work with them on these issues. The board thanked her for her extensive work on all of the above.
 - CFSW Financial Report
 - B. Building Committee: No report.
 - C. Co-chairs Team: Meeting weekly. Moving forward with public relations and fundraising. We are now past the \$800,000 mark in cash and pledges. Focus is on the business community right now.

- D. Communication Team: Articles for National Library Week in April are being prepared. Director White is also working on a proclamation.
- E. Grants Team: Will meet in the coming week, and will recruit other new members. Director White has applied for a Wal-Mart grant. She is looking into other retailer grant opportunities.
- F. Partnership Team: Jody Hoesly suggested asking our partners for endorsement letters, which help in the grant application process. Suggestions included asking the Home and NG Historical Society. We will ask some businesses as well.
- G. Village Board Liaison: Covered under 5B.
- H. Friends of the Library: Meet in April. Plans are underway for the 2018 Trivia Night at the Fest Haus.
- I. Town/Village Library Funding Team: No report.

7. Adjournment: President Hiland adjourned the meeting at 7:28 pm.

Respectfully submitted, Suzi Janowiak, Secretary