

Minutes of the Quechee Library Trustees' Meeting

February 14, 2022

Attending: Tommy Bauch (President), Brian Chaboyer (secretary), Bill Eastwood (Trustee), Dave Izzo (Treasurer), Katie McCarthy (Trustee), Kate Schaal (Library Director), Jim Schmidt (Trustee), Robert Hamlin

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Public Comments: None.

Dave Izzo provided an overview of the written treasurer's report. It was a fairly slow month, only a few contributions from the appeal arrived. Expenses are in line with our budget. Overall, contributions are stronger than anticipated this fiscal year. There were a number of one time expenses in the last month, including a large yearly subscription and the spending of some of the ARPA funds on new air filters.

The report was accepted.

Kate Schaal presented her written report. The report was accepted, with a discussion of a number of issues:

1. Library is still quiet, though circulation was finally up this last month compared to last January (mainly due to Wilder).
2. Select board candidate (Rocket) reached out to Kate, and he appears interested in libraries.
3. The Wilder window restoration project received a \$10,000 grant, and up to another \$10,000 in matching funds.
4. New state librarian has been appointed. A native Vermonter with a philosophy degree from Vassar, and most recently chief of branches for San Francisco Public Library
5. Old glass plate negatives (roughly from 1896-1910) have been donated. They need to be sorted and cataloged, and then we can digitize those of interest.
6. The volunteers who will be providing informal concerts Thursday people are excited. The piano has been tuned.

New Business: The new self check-out kiosk is being tested and will be installed in the next few months. One kiosk will be put near the copier in Quechee, and the other in Wilder.

Old Business: Next Regular Meeting: March 14 at 5pm. Meeting adjourned at 5:26pm