

FLETCHER MEMORIAL LIBRARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Feb. 2, 2017

Present: Christie, Larsen, Astin, Haraghey, Hochstetter, Burten

Absent: Regan, Sandberg-Diment, Lafontaine, Norton

Call to order: Meeting called to order at 4:02pm by chair Christie

Audience for citizens: none

Seating of alternates: Larsen seated for Lafontaine

Approval of minutes: Minutes from Jan. 5 accepted by consensus with motion made by Haraghey, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Burten

Librarian Report: on file at FML. Deb was sent home on a Saturday and Library was closed due to snow. Discussion followed regarding hours paid to the librarian when the Library is closed due to an unforeseen event. Motion was made by Haraghey, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Christie and unanimously approved to amend the by-laws, retroactive to Jan. 1, 2017 to read; Librarian will be paid for regularly scheduled hours if she works at least one half of her shift and leaves due to weather conditions or any other event that forces the closure of the Library.

Assistant Librarian: Larsen remarked that the electric bill was noticeably increased. Christie explained that this was due to the small radiator installed last year near the rear entrance.

Old Business: Christie thanked Burten for fixing the light in the sun room, moving the bulletin board and patching the wall where bulletin board used to be.

A. Maintenance: Christie presented 3 proposals for floor maintenance ; 1. Joe Lernauld will repaint all the currently painted floors for \$350 with a possible addition of \$50 if more paint is needed. 2. Larry Tripoli would either wet sand, clean, stain and apply 2 coats of polyurethane in the children's room, entrance hall, center room or clean, paste wax and buff the floors for \$300. 3. Bill Cournoyer would sand, stain, oil and polyurethane the floors, in 2 sessions , over a two week period for \$2275. Motion was made by Haraghey, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Larsen and unanimously approved to hire Joe Lernauld to paint floors in bio. room, rear entry and hire Larry Tripoli to sand and stain center room, front hall, children's room.

B. Events: Hampton Hoot very successful. Dr. Seuss' birthday party will be Mar. 4, 2017. Christie suggested the purchase of 4 passes to the Dr. Seuss museum in Springfield for use by library patrons at a cost of \$75. Motion made by Haraghey, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Larsen and approved to purchase 4 passes to Dr. Seuss Museum.

C. Art wall: Tabled from last month. Discussion continues. Tabled to next meeting.

New Business: Suggestion made to place a bird feeder in the Butterfly garden. Motion to place a feeder of birdseed in the garden made by Burten, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Haraghey and approved. A donation jar will be made available to support the purchase of seed.

Meeting adjourned at 5:15 pm

Next meeting March 2, 2017

Respectfully submitted ,

Susan Hochstetter, sec