

Submitted by: Laura Howard
Present: Library Board: Sue Garten, Chair, Nicole Buckley, Vice-Chair,
Laura Howard, Secretary, Carol Bird
Library Staff: Bernadette Rivard, Director

Location: Library Community Room

Next meeting: January 13, 2022

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm by Sue Garten, Chair.

A motion to approve the meeting minutes submitted by Laura Howard for November 2021, was made by Carol Bird the motion was seconded by Nicole Buckley. All were in favor and the motion passed.

The Board reviewed the financial report and a list of invoices from the last month.

Bernadette Rivard presented and reviewed the Director's Report as submitted December 06, 2021.

The painting project was approved at the Fall Town Meeting

ARPA Funds for the town are being allocated, the board discussed plans for an outdoor space outside the children's room, a patio outside the teen room and opening windows for staff offices. Proposals will be made once we have estimates for the projects..

A motion to approve the second reading of the draft Reconsideration of Library Materials document was made by Sue Garten, the motion was seconded by Carol Bird. All were in favor and the motion passed.

The Board discussed the FY23 budget. The board based the full request on projected calculations on meeting the MAR.

A motion to approve the submission of the FY23 budget by Bernadette Rivard was made by Nicole Buckley, the motion was seconded by Sue Garten. All were in favor and the motion passed.

An application for a Humanities Programming grant to fund an outdoor storywalk on the town common was submitted.

A draft grant application for an “Open for Business” grant has been created and will be submitted after the first of the year. This grant would allow retired business professionals to use the library as a center to donate their skills to businesses in need.

Plans to suspend Friday’s After School Kids program until after Martin Luther King Jr. Day were agreed upon. Covid numbers and enrollment numbers will be revisited at that time to see if resumption of Friday activities is warranted.

The meeting was adjourned by Sue Garten, Chair at 7:58 pm