

Brunswick Community Library

September 18, 2018

Board Meeting Minutes

Attendees: Fred Wobrock, Marthe Gabey, Kevin Mainello, Laurel Colasurdo, Maureen Cox, Ann Clemente, Carrie Painter and Anne Poletto

Excused: Tom Mahoney, Amy Kiley Absent: Dan Casale

6:01 pm: Call to Order: Fred Wobrock

Approval of August 2018 Minutes: Kevin Mainello moved to accept the minutes as corrected (Ann Clemente as President in the 2019 slate; Laurel Colasurdo's name was spelled incorrectly). Seconded by Maureen Cox; All in favor

Approval Treasurer's Report August 2018 – Maureen Cox noted that investments were down; the Finance Committee met before the Board meeting and submitted the report for approval. Seconded by Laurel Colasurdo; All in favor

Approval Director's Report August 2018 – Natalie Hurteau was excused, but the report was previously circulated; Marthe Gabey moved to accept the report; seconded by Ann Clemente; All in favor

Old Business

Long Range Planning Committee: Survey is complete. Natalie Hurteau will compile results. We have the report from the Focus Group. Next steps are to identify goals and finish with a 3-year plan.

Trustee Nominating Committee: Ann Clemente noted that there are two good candidates for the Board; there are still two open positions in the slate of officers.

Committee Reports

Building Committee Reports: Kevin Mainello noted that they still want to do a site survey; design options are being reviewed; looking to have a separate entrance for the meeting room; one problem was that there was no addition of shelf space; another was that the meeting room proposed wouldn't have sufficient space for yoga classes.

Construction Grant: We got the maximum amount – 50% of \$17,727. The money should come in next June or July. Plan to use for the emergency door, insulation, and TV. If other libraries decide not to use their grants, then the money will be redistributed. There was more money from the State this year, so more could be distributed. Maureen Cox moved to have the money taken from savings to complete projects. Carrie Painter seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Friends: The 50/50 at the last concert made \$245.50. Ann Clemente noted that it would go smoother with 6 people. Still waiting to hear if Senator Bruno has books available. Next meeting on October 2nd

Upper Hudson: Met last Wednesday, the meeting was cut and dry; \$3,150 of Local Library Services Aid was allocated to BCL. We should get 90% now and 10% next month.

Town Meeting: Councilman Dan Casale was at the September 13th meeting. He didn't have Natalie's report, but said that we were doing well.

New Business:

School Vote: Fred Wobrock and Natalie Hurteau met with representatives from Poestenkill and Grafton. They have to work on a timeline, draft a letter, etc. Natalie has more work to do.

Capital Campaign: Committee members are Natalie Hurteau, Amy Kiley and Laurel Colasurdo. We want to make sure that we don't interfere with the Annual Appeal, which is to cover operating expenses. Laurel mention that the trend is to refer to it as Impact rather than a Capital Campaign.

Great Library Expedition: Have to visit all 36 libraries between now and the end of November. Get gifts at certain points.

Fall Festival: Still planned for October 12th

Staff Development – scheduled for October 22nd. Fred noted that it was a chance to discuss things. Trustees were wondering if the agenda was set by UHLS. There was also a discussion on the benefit of having standard hours vs. the cost to be open. It was noted that 6pm seems to be late to be open on Saturdays, most businesses close earlier than that.

2019 Budget – Maureen and Natalie are in discussion

Next Meeting: October 16,2018 @ 6:00 PM

Next Town Board Meeting: October 11, 2018 and Laurel Colasurdo will be attending.

Maureen Cox moved to adjourn at 6:45 PM; Seconded by Ann Clemente; All in favor.

Submitted by Anne Poletto