



Board of Trustees
Georgetown Peabody Library
2 Maple Street
Georgetown, MA 01833

MINUTES OF THE GEORGETOWN PEABODY LIBRARY TRUSTEE MEETING
Held on Zoom during Coronavirus Shut-down
Tuesday, November 10, 2020

Present: Mary Saunders, Michelle Brock, Kevin Moran, Chris Laut, Sue Clay, Sue Clohecy, and Children's Librarian Cathy DeWitt

Absent:

Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 7:08PM

Minutes: Sue Clay moved to accept the October 14, 2020 minutes. Sue Clohecy seconded. Unanimous approval.

Old Business:

Congratulations to Sarah and Kevin on the birth of their baby, Natalie.

COVID-19 Discussion:

- Governor Baker's return to more limited phases due to increase in COVID numbers have not impacted the library as our policies are still very conservative with regard to allowing patrons in. Not many patrons are taking advantage of making appointments.
- Some libraries are allowing patrons in other communities. Our patrons can visit those libraries as we are part of the consortium.

Director's Report:

- Curbside pickups are at 555 since last meeting.
- Staff have decided to put a password on the Wi-Fi as Comcast has been notifying the library that there have been illegal downloads happening.
- Lights are starting to burn out so staff will check into getting the electrician back in to replace the bulbs.
- Story time is happening with Cathy. Parents pick up supplies ahead of time. About 8

children attend these online opportunities.

- Bats have not been a problem. However, mice are beginning to be a problem. The staff will let Freedom Pest Control know when they check in this month.
- MLS Children's Librarians are meeting monthly. MVLC meeting every two months. Cathy has been attending.
- Budget: Michele Augeri has been doing the bills. Staff is continually spending. Also starting to spend the LSTA Grant.
- Shelving bill had some issues as the town needed a copy of the bill. Payment schedule is determined by the town. Michele is working with the town to get the paperwork the town needs.
- Library will close at 5:00pm instead of 6:00pm on Wednesday before Thanksgiving and closed the day after on Friday.

New Business

Friends Report:

- Mary reports they are stopping the Bag Book Sale outside but still available inside if they happen to make an appointment. Bags are available by donation for different genres of books.
- Friends hired a pruning expert, Jen Kettell, Radiant Leaf, to teach some volunteers to care for the Michele Patten gardens. Hopefully less trees will hold snow this winter and hang over the sidewalk.
- In the process found that the pruning ladder that was used by the expert was something we might use for Library of Things.

Bills/Payroll Report:

- Kevin has been signing the bills/payroll warrant sheets.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 7:40PM.

Sue Clohecy moved; Sue Clay seconded. Unanimous approval.

Prepared by Michelle Brock on November 10, 2020

Next meeting: December 9, 2020