

## **NPL Trustee Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, June 20, 2023

Meeting started at 7:00 PM

Present: Jeanne Hagelstein-Ivas (Chair), Chris Smith, Rachel Breen (Director), Kathryn Mudgett (Vice Chair), Sarah Cassidy, Monika Brodsky

Meeting Minutes approved from May.

### **Director's report:**

Many special programs were offered, including a wood-turning demonstration, craft-making, a talk on Bonnie and Clyde and other events. Regular programming of Tai Chi, Yoga, tech Help and further gatherings occurred. Teen offerings included a movie and the first meeting of the new teen book club. Children's programs were Storytime, Baby Playgroup, Music Makers and other event, including a special Storytime by the South Shore Vocational School. The scavenger hunt continues to be popular. The first Storywalk of the season was offered.

Multiple groups continue to make good use of the meeting room. The study rooms continue to be well used.

Until June 30, the Norwell High School's Travelling Art Show will be displayed in the meeting room.

A suggestion was made of highlighting a museum pass a month on website.

Financial – townwide spending freeze for rest of FY23. We have reached our 16 % spending requirement, so we are finished with that for the year.

We received a \$17,500 from solar credits from the town – credit balance left of \$12,883.00.

Wireless printing update – waiting until FY24 (July or later)

\$133,500 spent on materials so far.

### **Friends of the NPL**

Next meeting is June 21 at 6:30, pop up book sale Monday, June 26. Summer reading kick off Find Your Voice, June 26 (through August 11), 1 – 2 PM opening event. Once you register for summer reading, you get a certificate for ice cream. There are new yard games for the Library collection they will set up for this event. There is a special tab on library website for Summer Reading.

### **Library Updates**

Library crawl a big success – 178 people came in – Norwell had most attendance of participants. Credit to Zoe for the idea.

The teen shelving is becoming very crowded. Staff is looking into another mobile unit, which would cost about \$5,000. The intended new shelving is made of maple overlay on metal. We have \$80,000 in state aid, so the funds would be drawn from that source.

Sunday hours: There was further discussion on the possibility to open a month later for Sunday hours. It was decided to continue the data collection of the amount of Sunday visitors and of the staff covering the hours (balance per staff members) and revisit this topic at a later date. Substitutes are always invited to take Sunday shifts.

It was proposed to approach personnel board to increase to time and a half for overtime. Also, a suggestion was made to ask for an increase in stipend.

Board Reorganization

New Chair, Kathryn Mudgett

New Vice-Chair, Sarah Cassidy

July 18 is the next meeting, at 7 PM.

Meeting adjourned at 7:57 PM

Minutes recorded by Monika Brodsky