

Minutes for Board of Trustees Meeting

September 15, 2021 5:30 pm

Attendees: Margaret Wilson (chair), Tina Casteris (minutes), Peter Conant, Ellen Taylor, Diane Schivera, Marci Blakely (select board member)

Meeting called to order at 5:35

Welcome Marci Blakely, our new select board representative.

I. Minutes from August Meeting

Margaret moved to approve, Ellen seconded, August minutes were approved.

II. Treasurer's Report

No major changes from last time. Need to decide if we should collect bottles again, Marci knows of a place in Searsmont, she can see if we can get set up to have the money donated. We decided to advertise to get people to bring their bottles, will advertise; as a Fall Bottle Drive.

III. Coordinator's Report

(Trudy was absent this month). She catalogued all the new books. We need a photo and press release for the Masons. A newsletter went out.

IV. Action Between Meetings

1. Volunteer Appreciation Dinner - small but fun gathering was held. Margaret has received messages of thanks. Next year, send out reminders.

V. Old Business

1. Committee Meeting for Strategic Planning - a subgroup is planning to get together to discuss. Looking for a Saturday that everyone can make it, Saturday Sept. 25?
2. Maintenance Update on Light Bulbs -
 - a. LED bulbs for foyer are available, don't have to replace the fixtures! Can also rewire and might make it more efficient, Stan is interested in helping figure it out. Bulbs are \$9, we need 28 of them. Peter will get the bulbs (Don't forget to get the tax exempt paperwork).
 - b. Parking lot lights, only one of three is working. Have to replace the whole fixture on those. Each one is \$260, Peter is exploring other options.
 - c. We need to replace the batteries for the emergency lighting, Peter and Stan will figure out what kind they are. Need to find who has done our electric work in the past.
 - d. Marci will ask fire dept. about checking our emergency equipment.

3. Yard Sale/Book Sale/Puzzle Exchange?

Move to Oct. 23 to give us more time to plan. Ask Trudy to send an email to patron list to let Margaret know if you want to have a table.

4. New Desk Computer

Discussion was held between Peter B. and Patti, need to follow up.

VI. New Business

1. Maine Humanities Council has a round of grants coming up as well as facilitated book discussions. Would there be any interest? There would have to be a Zoom option.

VII. Items for next Meeting

1. Yard sale
2. Computer purchase
3. Bulb update
4. Souper Supper 2022?
5. Volunteer Training Manual
6. Bake sale at the polls in November?

Meeting adjourned at 6:26

Next meeting is October 20, 5:30 pm.