

Lowell Community Library
Library Trustee Meeting
February 20, 2024

Trustees/Librarian Present: Nancy Allen, Brandie Cochran, Faye Starr, Jenn Higgins
Absent: Katherine Pion

1. Call to order: 6:20
2. Any additions/deletions/changes to today's agenda?
Bake Sale for Town Meeting
3. Review of Minutes from previous meeting: Approved
4. Treasurer's Report: NA
5. Librarian's Report: We have 63 members now! Coordination with School Library and Library Hours: Nancy would like to change Library Hours on Tuesday so that students from the school can come over with staff during the school day. She will be coordinating these visits with the school librarian and other staff. Trustees approve the time change for the benefit of coordination with the community, and noted that perhaps once students are more familiar with our Library perhaps it could become part of the after school program as well. Tuesday proposed new hours: 1:30 - 4:30.
Nan also suggested making the Saturday hours later - perhaps 11-3 rather than 10-2, more people seem to want to visit later. We will post new hours at Town Meeting and change them after that.
Possible Adult Interest: Nan would like to invite at least 1 Vermont Author to give a presentation, she mentioned Natalie Warnock as a possibility.
6. Committee Reports: NA
7. Old Business: Story Walk - How can we meet the copyright rules? The state offers several titles to be borrowed by local Libraries, we are uncertain if Lowell can access these Stories. Jenn will review the state Library site and Nancy will explore if we are eligible. Will discuss more next time.
Book Drop: Nancy will reach out to the group we were planning to request the Book Drop from and find out how to apply for funding.
Summer program for Kids: Trustees and Nancy would like to offer an expanded program this coming summer, perhaps involving a craft and snack as well as books to borrow. The state's theme for this summer is "Adventure Begins at your Library!", and may have suggested titles and activities that we could adapt for our community. The state offers \$300.00 Grants for community libraries, applications open on 2/15 and close 3/17. Jenn and Nancy will research how to apply and work to complete the application on time.

8. New Business: BAKE SALE!

Brandie will bring a large table, chalkboard, price stickers, \$change to start with, and her family to staff the table!

We **all** need to make and/or request members to make cookies, bars/brownies, muffins, donuts, quick or yeast breads, etc. We'd like to focus on smallish quantities of easy-to-eat treats for the meeting. All choices should be in plastic bags for sanitation purposes!

Other Trustees will meet Brandie there at 8AM to bring donated food and help set-up.

Nancy will keep a list of needed foods, if you are uncertain about what to bring, please check with her!

Money earned by the bake sale will be used for the summer reading program.

9. Meeting Adjourned at: 7:25

Thank you everyone, notes respectfully submitted by Jenn Higgins

Next meeting: **March 12, 2024 at 6:00 PM**