

BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES MEETING

June 17, 2021
(meeting via ZOOM)

PRESENT: Jeanne Cianciola, Chairperson
Emily Blampied, Secretary
Tammy Tedeschi, Treasurer
Virginia Johnson, Library Director

Call to Order/Public Comments/Reports: The meeting was called to order at 4:15 p.m.; there were no public comments. Minutes from the meeting of May 13, 2021, were shared and approved.

The director's report detailed building issues (chairs and computers to be gradually returned to pre-COVID numbers, AED battery replaced, Narcan needs to be replaced); collection issues (eight new Skill Sets added, Hanover Unity Council to purchase in-house collection RE: LGBTQ+ topics); staff issues (interviewing applicants for the part-time library assistant and substitute positions); gallery shows and cabinet displays (September poster display set as is June display of work by Cardinal Cushing students); adult programming ("Good Ol' Frida" and "Stonewall Uprising" movies scheduled for June as well as a virtual program "Turtles of New England" on June 22.) Our director continues to stay involved on the local and state levels, participating in meetings and workshops.

New Business:

- A. Summer programming will possibly include programs with authors and will feature a dog team frisbee event on July 15.
- B. Use of the meeting spaces by groups will resume in September.
- C. Members of the Hanover Unity Council met with department heads recently to increase awareness and respect in town which resulted in a donation of an in-house collection to the John Curtis Free Library of books on the LGBTQ+ topic.

Other Business:

- A. The book sale space is set to accept donations starting on Monday, June 28, with sales to begin on Tuesday, July 6. Signage will be displayed, and notices will be posted on the library website, the local Facebook pages, and ATOTW.
- B. The condition of the library grounds was again discussed.
- C. Fine-free information, both pro and con, is being shared with the trustees.
- D. Community outreach continues with the director participating in Pride Day and at the food trucks at Forge Pond Park.
- E. Work on the long-range/strategic plan continues with the development of a list of possible individual and groups to include, invitations to be sent to them, and the development of a survey to be distributed town-wide.

The meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m. with the next meeting scheduled for Thursday, July 8, 2021, at 4 p.m.

Emily Blampied
Secretary

Documents shared:

BOLT agenda for 6/17/2021
Secretary's report 5/13/2021
Director's report