

READFIELD COMMUNITY LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
JUNE 2, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 6:40 by Pam Mitchell. Meeting was held in person at the Library and by Zoom. Trustees present were: Pam Mitchell, Brenda Lake, Maureen Kinder, Jackie Drouin, Betty Peterson, Pat Clark, Jen Bonnefond and Melissa Small, Librarian. Excused were: Deb Peale and Sonya Clark.

Pam welcomed our new Library Trustee, Jackie Drouin, to the Board.

Secretary's Report: May minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: There was no Treasurer's report.

Old Business:

- Story Walk Update:
Melissa and Pat co-presented this project at the Maine Library Association Annual Conference.
Sponsor-A-Book has generated 18 sponsors thus far. The first book featured will be "Going on a Bear Hunt" by Michael Rosen.
Groundbreaking event to be held on Memorial Day was postponed due to bad weather.
- Library Director Title:
A couple of questions were asked about clarifying the title. Melissa will send the Board information she received about this. The Board will discuss this further.
- Performance Review:
Melissa would like a performance review from the Board. Pam said there is a standard form at the Town Office that we can use as a guide. She will forward it to Board Members.
- Wish List:
For the grant money we will be receiving, we will need to make a list of things we wish to purchase. Melissa has a list suggested by the Grant Foundation which she will send to the Board Members to look over and make suggestions.
- COVID updates:
As of May 24 all services are just about back to normal. Masks are required of unvaccinated individuals (as per town guidance). We will continue to follow the State guidelines. Plexiglass will stay in place. We will again begin to stamp due dates on the books. Melissa will check on contact tracing. Patron's computer will continue to be in the adult section of the Library.

New Business:

- Thank you to patrons: service and donation. Discussed and tabled.
- Garden Clean-Up in front and back of Library: A few Board Members will do this on Wednesday, June 9 at 9:00.
- Summer Book Sale: Pam talked to Lee Mank and the Fire House is available for us to use as in the past. We are asking patrons to bring books for sale the morning of sale.

Melissa and Board Members will start asking and looking for help for that day. Will follow up in July.

- 75th Birthday committee: Tabled

Librarian's Report:

- ARPA 2021 Formula Grants for Public Libraries distributed by MSL:
Readfield Community Library will be receiving some funds. Should arrive in July/August.
- Donation Received: Audio book collections were received.
- Status – Annual Collection Weeding: In process. Should be completed by June 30.
- Programming/Event Statistics Updates for May 2021:
Story Time met 4 times at the beach averaging about 10 attendees.
Cloud Library Workshop held at the Library with 2 attendees.
May Book Group held outside at the Library and Zoom had 13 attendees.
New Library Cards for May – 6.
Facebook Followers: 409 at the end of May (an increase of 15 since April).
Curbside Service: 14 for May.
- Special Summer Outdoor Events:
June 15 – Tuesday at 9:30 am: Maine Children's Author Patty Farrin visits Story Time.
June 21 – Monday at 6:00 pm: Summer Reading Program Kickoff Event.
June 23 – Wednesday at 6:30 pm: Author talk with Matt Cost.
July ?? – Grand Opening of the Story Walk.
July 12 – Monday at 6:00 pm: Kids Workshop with Maine author Katie Coppens.
July 14 – Wednesday at 6:30 pm: Author talk with Maine author Sandra Neily.
July 21 – Wednesday at 6:30 pm: Musical Program with Stan Davis
July 28 – Wednesday at 6:30 pm: Author talk with Emily E.LB. Twarog.
August 2 – Monday at 6:00 pm: Build-a-Book Kids Workshop with Ellen Bowman and Aaron Neily.
August 11- Wednesday at 6:30 pm: David Matson presentation.
August 13-15: Heritage Days Weekend
August 23, Monday at 6:00 pm: Summer Reading Program Finale Celebration Event featuring Chewonki.
Story Time continues meeting in person at the Town Beach on Tuesday mornings at 9:30.
June 28: Book Discussion: "Prospects: Mining Maine for Riches."
July 26 – RCL Book Discussion: "Mill Town: Reckoning with What Remains."
August 30 – RCL Book Discussion: "Mainely Power: A Goff Longdon Mainly Mystery."
September 27 – Book Discussion: "Anxious People."

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 pm.

The next meeting will be held on July 7 at 6:30.

Respectfully Submitted,
Betty Peterson, Secretary

