

READFIELD COMMUNITY LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING - JANUARY 13, 2021

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 (via Zoom) by Chair, Pam Mitchell.
All Trustees were present and Melissa Small, Librarian.

Secretary's Report: The minutes were amended and approved as amended.

Treasurer's Report: Sonya presented the December report, Second Quarter Report and Year To Date Report. All were approved.

Librarian's Report:

- Comics Plus: The Comics Plus app will soon be added to Cloud Library.
- Curbside Service: We had 53 curbside pickups in December, an increase over November numbers.
- Volunteer update: There will be no circulation volunteers except to fill in for Melissa until February due to COVID. We will reconsider this again in February.
- Programming/Events for December: All events were held via Zoom. Five children's story times were held with an average of 6 children attending and one Adult Book Group was held with 15 people attending.
- New Library Cards for December: 3 new ones.
- Essential Oils: We have a basket of essential oils which was donated last year. Melissa suggested we raffle it off as a Valentine's Gift. Board approved. Melissa will advertise this on email and Facebook.

Old Business:

- COVID-19 updates: Library is open its usual hours. One person (or family) allowed in at one time. No appointment necessary. Will review this again in February.
- Grant for Story Walk update: Melissa and Pam are meeting with Woodworking teachers at KHS and MCHS to build posts for the walk. Melissa will post via Facebook and email to see if anyone in the community wants to "sponsor a book."
- Book Group: Book chosen for January is "The Last Days of Night" by Graham Moore. It is an historical fiction and the group will meet on January 25 via Zoom.
- Diverse Book Finder Grant update: We received the \$300.00 Grant. Books will be ordered in mid-late January.
- Writer's Group: Six community members are interested. We are not sure how to proceed with this. Melissa will talk to interested members for more ideas.

New Business:

- Burns Night: The Board decided it was best to postpone this event till next year.
- Book Group: Book chosen for February is "Stamped: Racism, Antiracism, and You" by Jason Reynolds and Ibram X. Kendi.. This is a Young Readers edition. Community members are invited to participate in virtual "Community Conversations about Racism and Equality" with small groups of middle school students.
- Author thank you: We will continue to send thank you notes.
- Take Your Child to the Library Day: The date set for this event is Saturday, February 6. The Board discussed how to celebrate this event virtually.
- Snowshoes Story Walk for Children and Adults: Melissa had a wonderful idea of offering this event, but with COVID-19 the Board decided to postpone it till next year.
- Author Stuart Woods: Upon request, Maine Author Stuart Woods donated \$250.00 to the Library.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00.

The next meeting will be held on February 3 at 6:30 via Zoom

Respectfully submitted
Betty Peterson, Secretary