

READFIELD LIBRARY BOARD MEETING
SEPTEMBER 7, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 6:35 by Chair, Deb Peale.

Those present were: Deb Peale, Brenda Lake, Beverly Monsulick, Lori Clark, Pam Mitchell, Jan Tarbuck, Donna Witherill, Betty Peterson, and Nancy O'Toole Meservier, Librarian.

Excused was Cricket Blouin.

July's Secretary Report: Accepted with minor changes.

July's Treasurer's Report: Accepted

Librarian's Report:

- Current Project: Nancy is moving books around in the library to make it more efficient.
- Upcoming programs: Leonard Kalkwarf will talk about his book "Exploring the Libraries of the Presidents" on September 14. Dale Potter Clark will speak on her book about summer resorts and camps in this area on October 5.
- Visit to Senior Café: On September 19 Nancy will visit the Senior Café for a program that was postponed from April.
- Other summer programs will be discussed with old business.

Old Business:

- Quilt Raffle: The winning ticket was drawn on August 25. The winner is Kathleen Webster. We netted \$236.00 from the raffle. The quilt was donated by Nancy's Mom and this is the third quilt she has made and donated to the library for a raffle. Thank you to Diane O'Toole for supporting our library.
- Surplus Sale/Silent Auction: This sale started out very slow but did extremely well by the end of the sale. We collected \$860.00 from the auction and we cleaned the library of vintage items. Thank you to Deb Peale for initiating this project.
- Book Sale: Another successful book sale this year. We made \$ 1,370.00, \$150.00 more than last year. Residents seem to look for us each year. People started arriving before 9:00 and many brought their own bags.
- Left-over Books from the Sale: We are so pleased to say that all our left-over books were brought to other locations. None of the books went to the transfer station this year. Books were brought to local community organizations, Pals (who took most of our paper backs) and Goodwill, who took all the others. Thank you to Jan Tarbuck and Brenda Lake for organizing this huge project and to Cricket and John Blouin for filling their trailer with the books and delivering them to Goodwill.
- Summer Reading Program: This program went well. We had 84 participants and 753 books were read. Children's hour started off strong but ended up slower. The board feels this is a result of good summer weather. People wanted to be outside. We ended the summer reading program with another Chewonki program. This program went well with 47 participants.

New Business:

- Volunteer Appreciation Night: This event is scheduled for October 26 at 6:30.

- Age Friendly Community Survey: If you are 55 or over, please fill out the survey. It can be done either online or paper form. There are many questions concerning the library on the survey that could be helpful to us. Deb will represent the library at the meeting.
- Finishing with cleaning the upstairs of the Library: Deb will be organizing this and will ask for help when needed.
- New and previously mentioned ideas: We will be moving forward with the project of lending snowshoes and poles this winter. We will be advertising for donations. We are also looking to acquiring different kinds of cake pans to lend in the future. Lots of fun things happening at the library.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 12 at 6:30 at the library.

A motion was made to adjourn at 8:00.

Respectfully submitted,
Betty Peterson, Secretary