

Town of Kensington
Public Library Trustee Meeting
Thursday, May 9, 2024
Minutes

Present: Susie Gilbert, Director; Susan Bascom, Trustee and Chairperson; Matthew Dow, Trustee and Treasurer; Amanda Morrill, Trustee and Secretary

Meeting called to order: 4:35 pm

April minutes were approved

Statistics:

April 2024 statistics report: Visits, physical circs, and total circ down from last month. Visits and total circ up from this time last year. Museum pass usage down- next meeting will look at usage, and possibility of new passes i.e. Boston Aquarium. Increased streaming from both Libby and Hoopla.

Quick books budget report: New Quickbooks software purchased- Quickbooks encouraging online subscription vs desktop software. Susie to look into whether Town Hall uses Quickbooks- can the town upgrade to multi user license?

Past events:

Wed April 17th Jane Oneail re: Chagall on zoom 13 attendees

May 1st Big Trees of NE- in-person 25 attendees

Book clubs- 13 people

Kids events- 55

Upcoming events:

Book sale scheduled for Saturday, May 18th from 9am-3pm -baked goods welcomed

Joint book club May 21st

May 22nd- Building Stone walls 5:30pm in-person

June 1st- Raptors 1pm

June 5th- Jane Oneail "Seaside Escapes" on zoom

June 12th -Mary Kronewetter about Corbin's Animal Farm 5:30pm in-person

Kristin working on summer reading program, events/programs. Friends of the library to cover \$2000 towards summer reading program

New business: Kristin selected for jury duty every other Wednesday, has adjusted her schedule accordingly

KPL won \$250 shopping spree to Chris' Cards and comics in Seabrook, will buy new graphic novels, pokemon cards for summer reading prizes

New picnic table donated by local Eagle Scout

Ongoing Business:

NHTLA conference June 5th- Susan and Susie to attend

Addition- estimate back for \$5.5 million, next steps trustees to go to selectman meeting (May 20th or June?) with architect Ron, work on new website to help with marketing/fundraising campaigns

Evaluations- Library Director annual eval was reviewed and accepted by director and trustees. Staff evaluations started by Susie- will be completed by end of May

Personnel Policy- Matthew to accept changes to document, can be approved at next meeting

Meeting adjourned at 5:40 pm

Next Meeting: Thursday, June 13, at 4:30 pm