East Haddam Public Library System

Program Sub-Committee Meeting Minutes

August 2, 2021

4:30 pm Online via Zoom

Committee Members Present: Chris vanValkenburg, Janine Broe

Committee Members Absent: Chris Delisle

Also Present: Michael Gilroy

Meeting called to order by Chris vanValkenburg at 4:34 pm

1. Old Business

    - Library Lectures/Talk with the expert: Chris will send an email to John Davis from Yale and Jane Chisolm to see if he would be interesting in speaking again regarding the CoVID vaccine and Delta Variant.
    - Summer Reading Program has been going well. The library is handing out books instead of prizes
    - Poke Party back end of July was very successful.
    - Chris will continue to host monthly Scrapbooking/Craft events. However, will not have it in August as she will not be around for it.

2. New Business

    - Fall Programs: Mike and Anastasia are planning teen programs while Maureen and Karen planning on kid programs. Most like the kid programs will continue to be "take and make"
    - There will be more Wildlife programs with Maureen including a Bat Walk
    - The Rathbun is trying to have Fairy Garden program, however, have not received too many responses so may have to cancel.
    - East Haddam Art League has a display at the Rathbun from now until Sep 9.
    - Book Clubs will plan on meeting live for August meetings.
    - EHLS will have a booth at Celebrate East Haddam on Sep 4 at no cost.
    - Friends of EHFPL will have annual book sale at the Grange on Oct 9. This is in conjunction with EH Leo AppleFest and 1st Church Quilt Show.

- Janine brought up doing Town Trivia either live at a restaurant or via zoom and possibly hand out a gift certificate to local eatery. Anastasia did a Teen trivia and had a decent response.

3. Library Metrics

    - Attendance to the libraries is back to normal.

4. Audience of Citizens - none