EAST HADDAM LIBRARY SYSTEM

BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF JUNE 9, 2022

1. Meeting called to order at 6:33 PM by D Barlow. Trustees present, D Barlow, J Bielot, J Ranudo, A Hinchcliff, C DeLisle, C VanValkenberg, W Barney, M Mazur. Trustees absent: J Broe. Also present: M Gilroy, Library System Director
2. Minutes of regular meeting of May 12, 2022 accepted as presented.
3. Reports
   A. Library Director
      i. The Reading Project is proceeding. The tables and gazebos are assembled and we are awaiting the Wi-Fi connection
      ii. The Future of Libraries Conversation with former ALA President, Maureen Sullivan has been rescheduled to June 15, 2022 beginning at 6:30 at the Rathbun Library
      iii. The New Library Study Committee has begun its work. They have a six month charge from the Board of Selectmen and are meeting on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at 7:00 PM in Meeting Room 3 of the MOC.
      iv. The Board of Selectmen appointed Mary Mazur to fill the existing vacancy on the Board of Library Trustees
      v. M Gilroy reviewed the various program occurring in the Summer. He noted that the 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten has enrolled over 60 children, more than double the anticipated enrollment. He also noted that he will be visiting the elementary schools to 'kickoff' the Summer reading program
      vi. The 2022-23 proposed budget was approved by the Town with no changes to the Library System budget. He also reported that 2021-22 spending is on target with expectations. Question about advertising the return of Museum passes and M Gilroy responded that that would be done. Another question related to the return of toys and manipulatives to the Children's Room and M Gilroy responded that the staff was determining what materials should be returned.
   B. Committees
      i. There was not Finance Committee meeting held.
      ii. The program Committee held an informal meeting due to the lack of a quorum. There was an informal discussion regarding Summer programs and fund raising. There will be no meeting in July.
      iii. The Governance Committee did not meeting. There was a brief discussion regarding committee membership
4. Unfinished Business
   A. The 2021-22 budget status is excellent and is tracking properly. This was covered in detail in the Library System Director's report
   B. The ARPA grant report was submitted tom the State and was accepted.
   C. As previously noted, the Future Library Conversation program was rescheduled to June 15th

D. In reviewing the 2022 Library Trustee goals, it was determined that goal 1 should be rewritten to reflect that the Board of Selectmen had appointed a New Library Study Committee and should now reflect that Board of Trustees support for that Committee. The staff is developing materials be to distributes to further goal 2, and the Board of Trustees will how they can become more effective at the July Regular meeting.

5. New Business
   A. W Barney, chair of the New Library Study Committee reviewed the charge of the Committee, the diversity of the Committee membership, and its anticipated work schedule
6. There was no audience of citizens
7. Without objection, the meeting was adjourned at 7:50 PM

Submitted by: W Barney, Recording Secretary