

Moretown Memorial Library Board of Trustees Meeting

March 9, 2017

NOT APPROVED

Present: Jamie Wimble, Cory Stephenson , Chris Costello, Elizabeth Burt, Karen Sharpwolf

7:00 Call to Order

Reading: Elizabeth Burt: Love in the Time of Cholera Reading next week: Jamie Wimble

7:05 Public Comment

No Public Comment

7:05 Treasurer's Report: Personnel: 15.86%

Operating: 16.98% Overall: 16.24%

Donations: ~\$200 DiYeso: ~\$4100 Parker: ~\$1100

7:10 Secretary's Report

Approved Minutes from January 19

7:13 Librarian's Report

	Circ	Comp uters	Refer ence	Listen Up	Gale	2017 Total	2016
January	373	1	17	41	16	448	321
February	403	2	14	37	42	498	315

*Circ-all materials checked out from the library. Reference-all reference questions, calls, emails handled at the library, ListenUp-online audio and ebook checkouts. Gale- online database sessions.

Programs:

VISITS	Adults	Children	2017 Total	2016
January	131	48	179	123
February	91	37	128	116

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5 storytimes, with participation of 1-3 children and their caregivers..

Very Successful start to Herbal Remedies series led by Allison Dellnar with 11 people in attendance for the

immune remedies class on 1/22. Spring Tonics and Bitters will be 4/30 Weeds of the Field and Meadow TBD in August and *Herbs to Let Go Gracefully* tentative 11/12

3 Adults and 6 children came in to make cards/color for Valentine's Day celebration 2/11

9 participants learned all about making Kombucha and Kefir with Vermont Fermentation Adventures. Included language about suggested donation in PR, seemed to help with contributions during workshop.

9 people also showed up for first Open Mic night at the Town Hall 2/10. Sounded like a rousing good time, and there seems to be good energy for the next one 3/10. Will continue on Thursdays after that until June. Future Programming

- ○ Dan Zucker will be returning with a presentation on "The Big Bang". Sunday, March 19th at 4pm at the school.
- ○ Awarded the \$1,000 PLACE grant for the climate change discussion series the MRV libraries plan to host. Professional development will be happening in March, and funds are for PR, purchase of books/materials and non-alcoholic refreshments. Have been assigned a NOAA science partner from Johnson State College. Programs to be completed by November.
- ○ Family Cooking Class with Fiddleheads on 4/9 at the school
- ○ As part of MRV Libraries will be hosting a series of programming for the VT Reads book "Brown Girl Dreaming". Moretown School will be the site of an intergenerational book discussion on 4/27 at 6:30pm.
- ○ Small chance we will be participating in Spectrum VT sleepout 3/25, site either at Pony Farm or possibly school.
- ○ Also working with Hannah's House to host a parenting book club/storytime for 4-6 sessions before school gets out. Still determining target age. Summer Reading Program with MRV libraries: This year's theme is "Build a Better World"
- ○ Southern Vermont Natural History Museum will kick off the programming with Live raptors program on July 1st in Moretown. Received \$200 summer performer grant to cover the fee.
- ○ Also collaborating on "Tiny Libraries" community building project. Will have suggestions/votes for three locations (one in each town), then design workshop and finally building session at Farmer's Market tentatively scheduled 7/22
- ○ Other MML programming includes "Nature's Engineers" that I will lead at each library, one on beavers, one on bees, one on birds; Giant Jenga game building, primitive skills with Luke Foley for upper elementary/middle school kids, possible tree/shrub planting along stream near school with Friends of the Mad River support.. Meeting with Moie at MECA to try and coordinate a few with



Other:

camp.

○ Wrap up to the program will be community art installation of visions of what a better world looks

like. Hoping to have them up along the river at Bridge St.

- • Next Friends meeting will be 3/21 at 7pm. Sold all of chocolate, have not heard final #'s from sale yet.
- • Updated Job description for Assistant Librarian, met with Pat to share, agreed on performance review sometime in March
- • Picture book shelves designed, looking to build either with existing money in the budget, or through Friends. Have one quote for \$757 (\$540 materials, \$270 labor). Can we fit some of the cost into building maintenance budget?
- • VLA "Unconference" is scheduled for May 18th, 8-3pm in Killington. Registration is open, around \$45 to attend

7:52 New Business

- New MML Checking Account

- In the process of being set up with the town.

- Try to get a debit card to help with online purchases

- • Parker Fund Update

- • Building Maintenance Plan/ Budget Line Item

- ○ Painting Outside of building

- ○ Flooring

- ○ Picture Bookcase

- ○ Efficiency upgrades

- • Friends of MML

- ○ Sold all of the Chocolate

- ○ Next meeting 3/21

- Cory and Karen will try to attend. • Thursday hours

- It was decided not to change the hours on Thursday. • Website agendas/ minutes

8:15 Old Business

- Library Director Performance Review

- Will do at next Board Meeting May 11 8:21 Adjourn