

**Moretown Memorial Library
Board of Trustees Meeting**

November 17, 2016

NOT APPROVED

Present: Jamie Wimble, Cory Stephenson , Chris Costello, Elizabeth Burt, Karen Sharpwolf, Jane Gomez, Craig Eilers

7:00 Call to Order

C. Costello read David Budbill's poems

- Tomorrow
- What we need

7:02 Public Comment

- The library looks nice painted.
- Friends of the Library Meeting
 - K. Sharpwolf went to a Friends conference
 - Friends and trustee can work together, no need for separation
 - What are Friends doing in other places:
 - Cookie walk
 - Mother's day flower sales
 - Ice cream socials
 - Soup and bread lunches
 - Book sale
 - Advocacy for homeless people
 - Selling memberships/donations
 - C. Eilers gave an update
 - Big push to do the renovation work that was done (painting, shelves)
 - Been dormant since then because there has not been any requests.
 - Need some direction
 - Picture book shelving
 - Add to collection
 - Programing
- Next Steps

- Call a meeting of the friends

7:42 Secretary's Report

- Approved Minutes from September 8, 2016

7:43 Librarian's Report

	Circ	Computers	Reference	ListenUp	Gale	2016 Total	2015
September	328	2	8	30	21	389	341
October	376	1	11	46	11	445	306

*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.

VISITS	Adults	Children	2016 Total	2015
September	121	32	153	148
October	130	47	177	276

Programs:

- 7 storytimes, with participation of 1-5 children and their caregivers. Considering adjusting time to 10am to encourage more Moretown preK families to attend.
- 12 people registered, 6 showed up for the Kraut workshop with Beki.
- There were 13 participants at the Infinity Talk, 5 children and 6 adults
- Halloween we saw approx. 80 kids, 40 adults. Thanks Jennifer, Karen and Sophia!
- Maxine came back and entertained 7 of us with creative ways to lighten our loads and do some decluttering
- International Game Day is this Saturday 11/19, we will have food and games on hand to play from 1-4pm.
- At a patron's suggestion, we are hosting a Toy Swap for ages 0-3. Asking people to bring in like new/gently used toys by Saturday, then people can shop at their convenience during library hours until Fri. 12/2. The Swap will be upstairs in the front meeting room.
- "Mrs. Claus" will be joining us 12/15 at 6pm to read stories and gather letters to Santa
- Spring Programming
 - Still working with Emily/school to schedule a writer's workshop with local authors to happen Jan/Feb. (Tamara Smith, "Another Kind of Hurricane" and Erin Moulton, "Keepers of the Labyrinth").
 - Allison Dellnar will be doing a year-long seasonal herbal series starting with Immune remedies 1/22. Each season has a different focus, Spring: Tonics and Bitters, Summer: Weeds of the Field and Meadow, Fall: Herbs to Let Go Gracefully
 - Have reached out to Neal Nussbaum about doing follow-up ebay/online selling workshop after the holidays. He is unsure of work schedule right now, so will circle back in January
 - Loving Kindness meditation/other ways to bring community together in dialogue has been discussed
 - Notification on climate change discussion series delayed until Dec.
 - Working with MRV Libraries to develop programming for VT Reads--this year's book is Brown Girl Dreaming

Other:

- Pat is on extended medical leave due to Sciatica. Will have surgery 11/18. Karen is filling in as assistant librarian through the end of this year. Currently on the 11/21 SB meeting agenda to officially introduce/share this change with them.
- Picture book shelves designed, looking to build either with existing money in the budget, or through grant funding. Still working on getting quotes.
- Animals have been heard in the walls. Will let SB know at 11/21 meeting and see what next steps they want to take.
- Swapped out file cabinet, what do you want to do with the old one?
- Meeting with Yestermorrow 11/18 4pm to discuss possible bathroom/water/etc.
- Budget discussions: book buying vs. audiobooks vs. LUV

7:55 Treasurer's Report

- At 97% of budget with 6 weeks to go
- Materials monies have been spent
- Predicting to be over budget.
- Haven't spent much of the DiYeso fund

7:20 New Business

- Budget: Proposal for Moretown Memorial Library 2017 request to Town Board was reviewed and approved the proposal.
- Adopt an author program.
- Thank you note to lawyer of DiYeso fund

8:45 Old Business

- Strategic Planning
 - K. Sharpwolf found out we did not submit a strategic plan.
 - The Mad River Valley libraries have one that goes until 2018
- Propane Heater Service
 - Rinnai heater was serviced.

Next meeting will be January 12 at 7:00 at the library.

8:30 Adjourn