## Moretown Memorial Library Board of Trustees Meeting

# January 19, 2017 NOT APPROVED

## Present: Jamie Wimble, Cory Stephenson , Chris Costello, Elizabeth Burt

## 7:00 Call to Order

### Reading: Cory

- Mary Oliver
  - Excerpt from <u>Upstream</u>
  - "Sleeping in the Forest"

#### 7:02 Public Comment

#### 7:05 Treasurer's Report

- 6% over on operating budget
- 20% under on personal
- Diyeso fund \$4,400
- Cory will look into Listen Up and explore the different options.

## 7:10 Secretary's Report

• Approved minutes from November 17, 2016

#### 7:15 Librarian's Report

#### **DOKAL** Statistics

	Circ	Computers	Reference	ListenUp	Gale	2016 Total	2015
November	459	2	1	44	19	525	330
December	401	4	1	31	19	456	354

\*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
November	144	53	197	166
December	94	40	134	125

Programs:

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

- Organizing workshop with Maxine G. from March was rescheduled to 11/10. 8 participants.
- 7 families picked up toys from our toy swap for ages 0-3. Many more toys dropped off than picked up, able to donate a large amount of toys to Harwood's Gifts of Kindness drive. Rest I dropped off at Goodwill.
- International Game Day had three families participate, with 4 adults and 6 children. Would like to host monthly game day now that Joslin is doing Magic on Sundays.
- "Mrs. Claus" a rousing success with 15 adults and 13 children, fun was had by all!
- Spring Programming
  - Still working with Emily/school to schedule a writer's workshop with local authors to happen (Tamara Smith, "Another Kind of Hurrican" and Erin Moulton, "Keepers of the Labyrinth").
  - 17 people are pre-registered for first workshop in seasonal herbal series with Allison Dellnar on Immune Stimulating Remedies
  - Have reached out to Jen Degen about doing Lovingkindess workshop
  - Notification on climate change discussion series still delayed
  - Kombucha/Kefir workshop with Beki Auclair currently set for 2/19 at school
  - As part of MRV Libraries will be hosting a book discussion for VT Reads book "Brown Girl Dreaming" Tentative date is 3/30
  - Family cooking class with Lisa Mason will be 4/9
  - Other ideas include repair cafe, after school book/film club for elementary students, circling back for Ebay workshop, winter family campfire, seed starting
  - Monthly Open Mic at the Town Hall--suggested by patron, first date would be 2/10. Could incorporate Friends flower/chocolates fundraiser into the event as well. How should we handle alcohol?
- Initial planning for summer reading program underway. This year's theme is "Build a Better World" Currently working to book Southern Vermont Natural History live animal program as possible kick-off here, or in middle of the month. Also plan to do "nature's engineers" series. A community day of building little free libraries and art installation of visions of a better world rounds out the collaboration.

#### Other:

- Virus software renew. Geek Squad. How has IT been handled in the past?
  - Job descriptions: Assistant not updated since 2008, performance evals schedule
    - Changing schedule of library hours to meet requests from assistant
- 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).

#### 7:20 New Business

Ballot and Town Meeting Needs

- Jamie will run for last year of the 3- year term
- Chris will run for the 1-year term
- Karen and Elizabeth will decide on the other terms.
- We will still have an open seat, if you would like to join us.

#### Yestermorrow

Yestermorrow: contact here originally thought of the the Public Interest Project class as a good fit (student designed and build for local

non-profit). Shared project they did with Shelburne farms that was roughly \$2,000. However, determined that the scope would better fit one of their more standard classes like shed building. Wasn't seeing that we could do more than replace portalet with something similar with composting toilet that would have to be emptied every week. Next step to talk to town about zoning/regulations.

Fundraising: Valentine's Day with Friends

Cory will contact and ask about the Open Mic.

Holiday Schedule:

- Federal Holidays
- Christmas Eve

8:20 Old Business

8:30 Adjourn