

Jones Memorial Library  
Trustee Meeting Minutes  
January 18, 2022  
6:00pm

Meeting was called to order at 6:10pm. Present were Joanne Williams, Sandy Wilcox, Tina Bailey, Joan Huguenin, Laura Lamonda and Director Jeanette Powell.

November's minutes were reviewed. Joan made the motion to accept the minutes. Joanne seconded the motion. All in favor.

The financial report was reviewed for 2021.

Jeanette had attended the Tree Lighting Ceremony at the Orleans Fire Station back in November. 36 take & makes (diy reindeer ornaments) were handed out, and she had good conversations with people about the library.

Jeanette has signed up for the Scholastic FACE Program. Books can be purchased for up to 68% off with the stipulation that the books are to be given away.

The children's library cards arrived on January 4th. So far 6 kids have signed up. Jeanette will bring a sign up sheet to the schools (Orleans, Brownington, Coventry and maybe the local private schools as well).

The Zoom account has been set up for the library for Trustee meetings and any programs that may be online.

The adult book club will resume on February 1st after a long break due to Covid. It will be on February 1st from 5:30-6:30pm. The book is A Good Neighborhood by Therese Anne Fowler. 6 books have been taken out through Interlibrary loan.

The annual library report has been submitted.

A student volunteer from Lake Region will be coming in on Saturday to go over what they will be doing to help. Joanne suggested that there may be volunteers who would like to read for story time, etc.

Jeanette will be meeting with a consultant named Tricia who will teach her about grant writing. The first one she plans to work on getting is a \$2500 Humanities grant.

Oceans of Possibilities is the theme for the summer reading program. There is a webinar about it in March.

Sandy suggested that a good program idea would be to have the Whacky Worm Sisters come to the library this summer.

Jeanette is working with companies to donate games and puzzles. She would like to have them put into circulation (will have a policy in place) as well as game nights in the library.

Jeanette has spoken with Toni Eubanks from the Glover & Barton libraries about the collaborating of book returns for Interlibrary loans. Barton would be the central point. This would start in 2023.

Jeanette was looking into Amazon Smile, where when someone shops on Amazon then they can choose a charity of their choice and a portion of their purchase will be donated to that charity. She was wondering about the idea of adding the Friends as a charity that could be donated to.

Jeanette signed up for a free program called Better World Books. The program will send boxes to ship old books back to them. They then recycle and sell the books. In order to keep the account active then 150 books a year must be sent.

Joanne was asked to put together card kits in the future. She will make a list of supplies that she will need to do this.

The fiber club has started. One patron came and worked on her own project.

Jeanette talked about a monthly paper calendar so that people can see what is being offered at the library. It could also be put on Facebook and the website. Joanne suggested adding a "Did You Know" section to the newsletter with facts about the library.

The next meeting will be a performance review in Executive Session on Tuesday January 25th at 6:00pm.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:04pm.

*Minutes submitted by Laura Lamonda*