



AGENDA Friends of the Sherborn Library Board Meeting
Thursday, December 10th, 2020 | 7:30PM | Zoom

In Attendance: Elizabeth Johnston, Michelle Kozin, Tate Sakiyama, Kendra Anthony, Carrie Spray, Liz Anderson, Emily Thomas, Amy VanLangen, Rachel Albertson, Allyson King, Kara McDermott, Irene Saranteas Bassalee, Megha Kadiyala, Courtney Williams, Aimee Cronin, Julie Dreyfus, Suzanne Rovick, Jennifer Baker, Dianne Quandt

Not Present: Cheryl Ouellette, Aimee Cronin, Megan Stoessell

7:34PM Call to Order by Amy VanLangen

General Updates

Amy VanLangen, President

1. Minutes – Approval of November 2020 minutes*
 - a. **VOTE:** Amy VanLangen made motion. Tate Sakiyama seconded. Unanimous approval.
2. Library Board of Trustees update
 - a. Amy sent letter with our concerns of the Historical Society moving into the Library. Still haven't heard an update from them.
3. Thank you to Carrie, Courtney, Tate, and others who worked to get the appeal out and have been managing the response

New Business (60 Minutes)

Library Director's Report

Elizabeth Johnston

1. Update: Board of Library Commissions concerned. Our State building consultant came to building committee meeting and asked questions. Her concerns were helpful for the Selectmen to hear. Over \$3M grant. Waiting for over \$700K once completed and have certificate of occupancy. Board member said Town has been borrowing funds waiting for grant. Feeling like things are moving along now. Contract renewed to 2022 so we're not in danger of losing the additional grant money. General Contractor rehired by Insurance Company and they are holding them accountable.

Asst. Director / Public Services Librarian

Liz Rowland



1. Update: Starting new film club in January. Already have signups. Books & Brews every other month. Sherborn Cultural activity – paint via Zoom. Signed up right away. Making progress on a racial equity. DEI working group in Sherborn. Put on programs to broaden perspectives and awareness. Doing a joint program with Dover Library. Liz planning joint program. Wayland library had her speak with over 200 attendees.
 - a. Author Debbie Irving – Waking Up White – will be speaking – date TBD, shooting for February 2021. Trying to get a grant for it.
2. Joint event with Holliston Library in February/March – cooking events coming up
3. Curbside only continues.
4. Virtual book sale idea – Sudbury library is doing virtual book sale. Discussed pros, cons and will keep it on the agenda to consider.

Children's Librarian

Cheryl Ouellette

5. Update – submitted by Cheryl in absentia. Read during the meeting by Amy. On December 2nd, 4PM, we had a good turnout for **Not-really-so-scary-animals-program** with **Joy Marzolf of Joy of Nature**. Joy worked at Broadmoor Wildlife Sanctuary – MA Audubon Society for 15 years. Joy had a slide show and then brought out a tarantula and snake. Both very popular. She will have another program at the library on **Wed. Jan. 27th at 4PM** about reptiles. We had a very good turnout for the Henna Alchemy with Mandy Roberge on November 18th. This was a 2 afternoon workshop making the paste, learning to roll the cone, then doing the artwork. Our Make & Take craft kits have been popular. We had an egg carton Rudolph Reindeer this week. The next **Make & Take is a Snowman** on **Dec. 21st**. These are curbside. No need to sign up. **Storytime**, continues on Fridays, 10:30 AM this month through December 18th. **Debbie Hudgins Sing and Swing** is on the library website with her latest Jingle Bell Jump. Music and movement with winter and holiday themes. **Coming up: On Wednesday, December 15th, 5 PM**, chef Julie Manning will be making a holiday **Gingerbread in a mug**. This is for all ages. Sign up on the library website and you will get a Zoom invite with the ingredients and recipe. Coming up on **Tuesday January 12th, 4 PM** there will be **Flower Family Yoga** for kids with Tara Rachel.

Events Team

Event Planning Team Members (Aimee Cronin, Kara McDermott, Suzanne Rovick, Rachel Albertson, Kendra Sobiech, Emily Thomas)

1. Update needed – none

Publications

Carrie Spray

1. Updated needed – none

Treasurer



Courtney Williams

1. Response to appeal to date: \$7,000 (plus expecting \$1000 from Carl Strehlke) picking up more.

Donor Data

Tate Sakiyama

1. Polly Kornblith / animal assisted reading partner program donation - \$250 came in 12/26/2019 / Mini horse Hugo. Tate told her we will keep her posted. With Covid, haven't been able to do anything. Tate will reach out to her.
 - a. Suggestion to connect with Unity Farm to coordinate something in the spring doing kids/animals reading program.
2. Update on notecards & appeal records
 - a. Look good.

Music & Summer Concerts / Little Free Library

Julie Dreyfus

1. Update needed - none

Publicity

Publicity Team (Megan Stoessell, Emily Dellaglio, Allyson King)

1. Update needed - none

Welcome Committee

Welcome Committee Team (Dianne Quandt, Irene Saranteas Bassalee)

1. Update needed – Request to include COA flyer in our mailing. Postage will go up a bit, but Dianne will cover by donating postage
2. **ACTION**: AMY FOLLOW UP AND GET COA BROCHURE
3. Suggestion to use the Sherborn Zoom trivia as part of a welcome event.

Children's Programming

Children's Programming Team (Jennifer Baker, Megha Kadiyala)

1. Update needed – open to ideas.
 - a. Suggestions: Combining budgets or groups to do together. Virtual magicians, Virtual Winterfest with a take-away kit? Will look into for Jan/Feb.

Exhibits

Position unfilled

1. No update



Other Business

ACTION: Amy mentioned a number of people are rolling off next year, so please encourage friends to join FOTSL.

Spring date for opening is still expected!

8:20 PM Motion to Adjourn*

VOTE: Amy made motion. Diane Second. Unanimous.

Next scheduled meeting is: January 7th, 7:30 PM via Zoom

*vote required