

Deposit Free Library Minutes

March 21, 2022

Present: Paul Hochuli, Becky Hochuli, Bridget Davis, MaryEllen Decker, Angie Logue, Deb Stever, Ellen Ficurilli

Absent:

The regular meeting of the Deposit Free Library board was called to order by President Becky Hochuli at 4:08 p.m. The minutes of the last meeting (January 24, 2022) Annual Meeting and (January 24, 2022) Monthly Meeting were read and reviewed. There were no additions or corrections.

A motion was made by Paul Hochuli and seconded by Angie Logue to accept the January 24, 2022 minutes as read. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

The treasurer's report was given by Paul Hochuli.

A Banking Summary from 1/24/2022-3/21/2022 was reviewed. The following highlights were noted:

Income: The annual tax collection was received from Deposit Central School.

Two grants were received in December.

We received a rebate check from NYSEG after installation of the new furnace.

Further information can be found in the narrative section of the March 21, 2022 Treasurer's Report.

A motion was made by Becky Hochuli and seconded by Ellen Ficurilli to accept the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

Director's Report

Deb Stever presented the Director's Report. The following highlights were noted:

❖ 4cls News:

Deb has been attending all of the 4cls Director's meetings and the Annual Report Workshops. 4CLS is moving to a LibGuide format, which will replace the intranet. This was good training.

❖ Current/Past Programming:

- Virtual Story Time with Miss Becky continues on Mondays & Fridays.
- Virtual "live" Toddler Time with Miss Nicole continues on Wednesdays
- We have been hosting the Wilson Children's Center for in-person story time.

- ❖ Becky did a marathon of story times during the week of March 2nd for Read Across America Day.
- ❖ Dr. Seuss in-person birthday party for 3-4 year olds and their parents made the front page of the Courier.
- ❖ **Future Programming:**
 - Nicole is planning to bring back in-person toddler time in April.
 - Deb and Becky have been discussing plans for this year's Summer Reading Program.
 - Bringing back in-person programming including Lego Club and home school programming.

Further information can be found in the narrative section of the March 21, 2022 Director's Report.

A motion to accept the Director's Report was made by Bridget Davis and seconded by Mary Ellen Decker. Motion carried.

Old Business

- ❖ **Computer replacement:** no further word from 4cls
- ❖ **Memorial bookcase:** Our Country Hearts said it would cost \$1,000-\$1,200 and take 8 months to complete. We will also contact Jason Fortunato and Ryan Walker about the possibility of a custom build.
- ❖ **Conflict of Interest forms:** signed by Ellen Ficurilli and Mary Ellen Decker. Completed for the year.

New Business

4CLS Automation Fee decision: Following discussion, the board asked Deb to vote in favor of figuring our automation fee every year instead of every three years.

Energy/Light offer to upgrade lights:

An energy audit will help to get rebates from NYSEG. To go all LED could cost \$1200.00. We would get a \$300.00 rebate.
Energy Audit was done by Eastern Energy Solutions. Paul will look into the details and comparison choices.

Staffing:

Cassie will cover Nicole's hours while she is on maternity leave.
Angie will take over Lego Club starting in April.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Next meeting: April 25, 2022 at 4:00 p.m.

Ellen Ficurilli
Secretary