

Depauville Free Library  
Board Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, May 10, 2018

Meeting called to order at 11:05 a.m.

Attendance: Tresa Forkey, Amber Forkey, Teresa Gallup, Deb Rantanen, Jan Larrow, Phil Pond, Karen Lago  
April 2018 minutes motion to approve by Teresa, seconded by Jan, all approved.

**May Objective:** FACILITY

**Treasurer's Report**

Bank Balance: \$52,363.78 (as of May 1)

Major Expenses (excluding salaries and books): \$863 (D&O Insurance), \$300 (STAT Annual fee)

Income: 0

Motion to approve by Jan, seconded by Deb, all approved.

**Director's Report**

**Program Attendance in April**

Story Times here and on the road	50
Tutoring at the library	14
Library Board Meeting	9
Model Railroad Club	35
Writers Group	6
Chess Club	20
Book Club	4
BB Crafters	4
Self-Publishing Workshop	9
Zenda Community Garden Meeting	9
Quilters	3
Sewer Committee	7

**Facebook Stats for April**

Likes	Posts	Reach	Engaged Users
413	26	4854	314

**Upcoming Programs / Events:**

Model Railroad Club meets every Thursday at 3:30.

Chess Club meets twice a month, 5:30-7:00, on Tuesdays.

A quilting group will be meeting twice a month on Tuesday mornings.

5/12	Group reading by psychic medium Wilson Stevenson, 1-3pm
5/12	Carmen D'Avino Second Saturday Cinema: Faces Places, 7pm
5/14	Writers on the River (Writers group) 6pm
5/15	School Ballot Vote!
6/9	Carmen D'Avino Second Saturday Cinema: Let there be light, 7pm
6/26-27	Babysitting Course, 10-4
7/12	Story time with Regi, DOGS, 11am
7/19	Story time with Regi, CATS, 11am
7/26	Story time with Regi, SPOOKY, 11am
7/31	Soup & Stories for Supper, multi-generational storytelling with Regi Carpenter, 6pm

8/2 Story time with Regi, SLIME, 11am  
8/2 Regi Carpenter Adult Performance, "Fractured Fairy Tales for Grown Ups", 6pm  
8/11 Carmen D'Avino Second Saturday Cinema: Sonic Sea, 7pm  
8/16 "Songs for a Livable Land" performed by Nan Hoffman, 1pm  
8/22 Town of Clayton Board meeting in Depauville, 5pm  
9/1 Sidewalk Chalk Art  
9/29 Summer Squeeze  
10/6 Cardboard Challenge  
10/13 Carmen D'Avino Second Saturday Cinema: The Brainwashing of my Dad, 7pm  
10/20 International Archaeology Day  
11/10 Carmen D'Avino Second Saturday Cinema: The Breadwinner, 4pm  
12/8 Carmen D'Avino Second Saturday Cinema: The Public, 4pm

### **Unfinished Business**

Fran Ludlow ... still waiting on parts to repair the spread and sashes of our **Farley Windows** via Northern Glass.

On 2/6, re-requested funds (\$8000) from **Sen. Ritchie for front iron railing** to be made by Grindstone Fabrications.

**Inventory** of Library property: Jan created a video and Excel inventory; replacement values need to be found. (Audit recommendation)

Historic Marker for **Native Pathway ... Catskill Castings ... Dedication Ceremony ... 7/21 or 7/28**. Karen clarified that the marker will be placed near the Gazebo in Depauville.

**Depauville's suffrage petition** on the State's Women's Heritage Trail! WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE COMMISSION

**County Funding:** Cab Burns, President of Hawn's Board's will propose two dates for a meeting with Depauville's Board this spring to discuss the equitable distribution of County funding. NCLS will be present at the meeting.

**Smart Schools Bond Act** through TI School District ... hopefully money for Hot Spots ... TECH SOUP??

**Water damage from the leaking roof** is visible behind the quilt, around the bulletin boards, and closet shelves in the main meeting room. See discussion below.

### **New Business**

Town Board and Facility Maintenance: The Board unanimously approved a letter to the Town Board outlining the outstanding and unresolved maintenance issues at the Library. These include snow removal, front railing, parking areas, leaks, electrical issues, etc. A copy of the letter is included with the minutes.

Outdoor Sign:

- The "Reading Room" portion of the outdoor sign was pulling away from the backing. Karen contacted Stewarts to follow up on the inadequate repair job.
- Flowers and/or low plantings needed for the planter box at the base of the outdoor sign.

Bill Blance will be asked to paint the front door blue and surrounding trim white.

The TI Museum will accept our **old newspaper scrapbooks** and make them available for public research. These scrapbooks are not to be confused with the DFL scrapbooks, which will be kept here.

Seed Library Greenhouse needs to be set up. Kenny Rogers quoted a price of \$2000 – this is more than DFL can pay. Seeking volunteers to help erect. Spring Planting: straw bales are here thanks to Jeff and Jan.

Karen needs a sub: May 15, June 13, and July 2,3,5.

Status of **search for CLERK--**

- Potsdam grad from Dexter interested (she's exploring pursuing a MLS degree)
- Possible SU intern
- Carley Wilkie, youth intern. Contacted but hasn't committed yet (10 hrs./week)
- Summer Youth and Young Adult Employment Program?
- Green Thumb ? Teresa suggested consulting this organization which places adults in work situations.

Summer Lunch program will run from 6/25 – 8/17.

Health insurance for the next library director...

NCLS asked if DFL was willing to be a test site for their new computer security program called "Clean Slate"

Deb: List of existing clubs and club advisors at area schools for help in promoting our youth programs.

EVENTS IN THE WORKS:

Civics Class ...

Latin Class ...

Renting the Opera House: Dr. Andrew Stern

James and Krista Juczak – self-sufficiency/home handcrafted from recyclables (see WT, 4/15)

The next meeting will be Tuesday, June 5 at 11AM.

Tresa F. made a motion to adjourn; seconded by Teresa G

Meeting adjourned at 12:11