

Depauville Free Library
Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, March 8, 2018

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

Attendance: Tresa Forkey, Amber Forkey, Teresa Gallup, Linda Brewer, Keitha Haas, Deb Rantanen, Jan Larrow,
Gail Egeressy, Karen Lago

December 2017 minutes approved by Jan, seconded by Gail.

March Objective: PROGRAMS

Treasurer's Report: Bank Balance: \$63,408.16

Major Expenses (excluding salaries and books): \$197 (Disability premium), \$491.58 (2nd payment to NCLS on 5 PCs); \$150 (Rental of Opera House for Marc Black concert)

Income: \$57498.42 (Library Levy), \$425 (Dani Baker), \$10000(Town stipend), \$100(NCPPC for babysitting course), \$165(1st Nature Talk), \$141.36(FB fundraiser), \$20 (Caning class donations), \$120 (BB Crafters' donation), \$90 (2nd Nature Talk), \$74 (refund from disability carrier)

Director's Report

Program Attendance in December, January, and February

Story Times here and on the road with Anita	102
Tutoring at the library	36
Library Board Meeting	10
Model Railroad Club	58
Writers Group	13
Chess Club	58
Book Club	10
BB Crafters	6
2018 Nature Talks (2)	48, 55
Seed Library Meetings	9
Second Saturday Cinema (3)	4, 9, 38
Joyce Gould Christmas card craft	5
Joyce Gould Valentines craft	10
Chair caning (4 sessions)	32

Facebook Stats for December, January, and February

Likes	Posts	Reach	Engaged Users
404	74	12666	1369

Upcoming Programs / Events:

Model Railroad Club meets every Thursday at 3:30.

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

3/10	Dani Baker talk on small fruits and berries, noon
3/10	Carmen D'Avino Second Saturday Cinema: Keepers of the Game, 4pm
3/13	Beekeepers Mtg, 6pm
3/31	IRLC / Stone Soup Saturday: SLU's Paul Graham will speak about celiac disease, modern grain, and his 2016 book, In Memory of Bread, noon
4/14	Carmen D'Avino Second Saturday Cinema: A Quiet Passion, 4pm
4/28	IRLC / Stone Soup Saturday: Todd Walter on citizen science opportunities, noon
5/3	Marc Black: The History of the 50s & 60s through Popular Song, Clayton Opera House, 7pm
5/5	Group reading by psychic medium Wilson Stevenson, 1-3pm
5/12	Carmen D'Avino Second Saturday Cinema: Faces Places, 7pm
6/9	Carmen D'Avino Second Saturday Cinema: Let there be light, 7pm

7/30-8/2	Puppet Camp with Regi Carpenter, 9am-noon
7/31	Soup and Stories for Supper, multi-generational storytelling with Regi Carpenter, 6pm
8/2	Regi Carpenter Adult Performance, 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 Breadwinner, 7pm
10/20	International Archaeology Day
11/10	Carmen D'Avino Second Saturday Cinema: The Brainwashing of my Dad, 4pm
12/8	Carmen D'Avino Second Saturday Cinema: The Public, 4pm

On May 15 LaFargeville School will hold a Summer Activity Fair for K-12 to inform families about healthy summer activities. Deb suggested that DFL consider participating and contact school.

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.

Historic Marker for Indian pathway Catskill Castings price: \$1200 Karen sent in an advance payment. Discussed adding an image – Karen will check cost.

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

County Funding: Hawn's board is willing to meet with Depauville's Board this spring to discuss the issue. DFL has not yet received a communication with a suggested date from Hawn.

Smart Schools Bond Act through TI School District. Hopefully money will be available for Hot Spots. Karen forwarded info regarding Tech Soup – this organization makes IT available at reduced cost for non-profits.

New Business

Voted to reconfirm the previous approval (2/27) of the Annual Report. Approval was unanimous.

Motion to approve \$4000 Library tax levy increase on school ballot made by Teresa, seconded by Jan, unanimous approval.

Motion to approve increases in salaries: Starting Clerk \$12/hr., Clerk 1yr.+ \$14/hr., Tutor \$18/hr., Librarian \$20/hr. Motion made by Deb, seconded by Gail, unanimous approval.

Fiber optic live at library on 1/9!! Patrons said there was a remarkable difference.

NCLS delivers and installs new OPAC terminal on 1/10.

Outdoor sign went up on 1/11, but still needs cap, lighting, and another coat of paint. *Note: update web photo.*

NYS Comptrollers Financial Report sent on 2/12 & Federal Tax return submitted.

Town Board Issues Needing Attention:

Snow removal (shoveling and plowing – patron complaints)

Railing
Parking areas - gravel areas not plowed
Greenhouse
New outdoor sign with lighting
Flag needs replacing
Children's hammock needs to be remounted
Pull old railing (per grant; Town will help)
Interior painting of Community Room

Karen contacted Nolan Knapp, our Town liaison in February, but DFL needs to follow up with letter and updated list of concerns.

Frozen pipes downstairs in new addition during deep freeze. Town installed ceiling vents as remedy.

Toshiba service rep came in and repaired printer; had to replace document feeder.

Opera House rental for Marc Black on 5/3. Tickets distributed to Board members to sell (\$5/ticket). Ticket stub good for door prize drawing. More tickets available at DFL. Eight volunteers already identified to work event. Do we want to rent for: Dr. Andrew Stern? Congresswoman Slaughter?

NEW CLERK: Ran ad in TI Sun in 2/28 paper. Lots of hits and shares on Facebook, but no one applied. Karen hired late applicant, who will begin March 15. She'll work Friday and Saturday, approximately 12 hours/week.

SEED LIBRARY GREENHOUSE ... need to arrange for handy assistants for installation. SPRING PLANTING will be in early May.

Need to develop a form for use of the Community Room so patrons are informed of costs. Ideas to consider: deposit, hourly cost.... Deb will research a model and create draft for Board review.

Discussion of proper procedure to conduct emergency meeting when voting during the winter months when Board doesn't hold regularly scheduled meetings and members are out of town.

Health insurance for the next library director. Keep on radar.

Deb will finish obtaining list of existing clubs and club advisors at area schools for help in promoting our youth programs.

EVENTS IN THE WORKS:

Susannah Risley ... writers workshop in 2018 ... Susannah may not be available.

Dock Dogs at Peggy Foresman's **ON HOLD**. Dog obedience class at DFL once a month **ON HOLD**

Civics Class ...

The next Board meeting is Thursday, April 5 at 11 a.m.

Motion to adjourn made by Tresa F., seconded by Teresa G. Meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.