


Jaquith Public Library
Trustees Meeting Minutes
July 25, 2023

Present: Kara Casey; Sonia Carrasco; Annie Reed; Michelle Eddleman; Cathy Chodorkoff; Susan Green, Librarian; and Sasha McGarvey, Youth Librarian

Meeting convened: 6:02

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| Review/Approve Agenda | 1min |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Approved | |
| Approve Minutes from June – regular and special meetings | 5mins |
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| Rich Baker re: library managing gym | 10min |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Lots discussion regarding proposal from selectman for the Library to take on responsibility for oversight of the gym space at OSC – renovation & funding sources, programming, fees and scheduling. Basically, tabled for the time being because flood issues need to be dealt with or the space will remain unusable. General feeling was that the library should not take this on, but would be open some type of collaboration with varied responsibilities for the gym and the gym would not be considered additional leased space for the library. | |
| Budget | 5mins |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">● At this point we're underspent on lots of the smaller budget items; the rest of the budget is on target. Some fundraising areas are above target, should be okay overall. One computer needs repair or replacement. | |
| Librarian's Report | 5mins |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">● See attached report | |
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Librarian's report -
July'23 | |
| Flooding news | 10min |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none">● See librarian's report● ServPro can't do their work until the building dries out, but it needs attention in the interim – bleaching, etc. - people have mold sensitivity who work in the building and it's not being attended to at this point. Offers of assistance were made, but refused by those with primary responsibility for the building. The building is closed to the public, but the librarians are still working. It's a health hazard. We'll ask the selectboard to recontact ServPro for an updated evaluation on remediation with a particular eye to keeping mold from infesting the library collection. Sasha will contact Kellogg-Hubbard to see how | |

they're dealing with flood issues. Kara will draft the letter to the selectboard regarding ServPro/abatement issues.

Upcoming events and programming (Harvest fest) 20 mins

- See librarian's report
- Susan would like to hire a band or some type of act for entertainment for Harvest Fest. We'll do the 50/50 raffle and pass the hat or donation jar. Crock pot cooking contest – winner gets a trophy. Vendors can purchase a table space. History project tent to allow people to talk about the flood or whatever else they want to record.
- An community appreciation gathering with barbeque/block party as part of the DJ Skar back to school dance event.

Trustee and Friends Annual Meeting. Volunteer Appreciation 15mins

- See librarian's report
- Appreciation for all volunteers – see above

Meeting adjourned: 7:17