

Dover Free Library Minutes
Tuesday, January 21, 2020

Present: Kevin Stine, Ed Brookman, John Flores, Dianne Guminak, , Aurora Roberts

The trustee meeting was called to order at 1:10 p.m.

Public Comments:

Approval of Prior Minutes:

Aurora motioned to approve the December meeting minutes and Ed seconded the motion. .

Old Business:

Financial Report:

-Aurora motioned to approve the finances for the month of December. Kevin seconded the motion.

Director's Report:

-It was discussed that our budget needs to increase for matching funds for the retirement accounts for the employees Karen and Cynthia. It has come to our notice that if a town employee has 24 hours or more they are eligible for this program. John is already accounted for in the budget.

-Aurora made a motion to increase the budget to include money to fund the retirement accounts for Cynthia and Karen. Kevin seconded the motion. It was approved by the board. John will have Marco change this number for the town report.

-The select board is having the library be a separate warned article this year at town meeting. They want the library to stand up and talk about what the money is spent on. This is different from previous years.

-The Adopt a book fundraiser has raised \$1,100 this year.

-The "Blind date with a Book" annual event will be taking place this next month.

-The library is working with Better Worlds Books to recycle books.

-Winter Yoga program is starting on February 5th with Jill Robart. Open to the public for free.

-Karen and Cynthia's probation period ends on February 18th and 25th, respectively .

Children's Report:

- Cynthia has been reaching out to parents and is promoting the Toddler Time

-The preschool story time is still in place, same time and will be promoted.

-Cynthia is starting a new program....fridays after school, crafts and science programs.

-The Santa visit continues to be a successful program. 105 people attended this year. We plan on continuing with this tradition. John will reach out to Phil Bowen to reserve him for next year and also he will try to reserve Andy Davis as well.

-School programs are going well.

New Business:

- Josh Cohen will be our new select board liaison for the library.
- Ed has compiled a strategic plan for the library based on our strategy meeting and surveys from this past Fall. He is looking for feedback from board members and library employees. We should have this input back to him by next week so that we can finalize this plan and set a meeting for discussion.

Agenda for next month:

- Strategic planning

Next Meeting:

- The next meeting will take place on Tuesday, February 25th at 1:00

Meeting Adjourned: 2:40 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ed Brookman, Chairperson Dianne Guminak, Secretary

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