

Taft Public Library Board of Trustees

Minutes

March 10, 2021

Members present: Leigh Martin, Shana Miller, Kelley Aubut, Ellen Agro, Amy Fahey, Wayne Phipps

Staff present: Andrew Jenrich, Tara Windsor

Friends of Taft Library members: Leesa Michael, Gabriella Porciello

The meeting was called to order at 6:02 pm.

1. On a motion by Ellen, seconded by Wayne the minutes for 2/10/21 were approved unanimously
2. Andrew presented his Director's report and Budget report. There are 2 new hires, Jen O'Brien and Christin Barnett, who will start within a couple weeks.

Programming continues to see good attendance. Chef Scott and Trivia night were particularly popular.

The seed program has begun, and the Friends have bagged over 50 packages so far.

Andrew would like to open for appointment only browsing beginning March 29<sup>th</sup>. He will forward his plan to the Board and the Town Administrator.

3. Strategic Planning: Amy contacted Jim Broe and he has agreed to be the facilitator for the committee. Jim has experience with Strategic Planning
4. Town Crier Article: Amy has drafted a letter to the editor which celebrates the library usage and programming. Amy will send the draft around for review prior to the March 23 deadline.
5. The meeting was joined by two members of the Friends of the Taft Library. They discussed revamping the Friends Facebook page and refocusing their efforts in support of the library and its needs. A representative of the group will attend our meetings going forward. A memorandum of Understanding between the two Boards was discussed. The friends will be looking at a procedure for approving funding.
6. Next meeting date April 14, 2021 at 6:00pm. On a motion by Ellen, seconded by Wayne the meeting was adjourned at 7:57 pm.