

Taft Library Board of Trustees

Meeting Minutes

January 13, 2021

Taft Public Library

Attendees: Amy Fahey, Shana Miller, Ellen Agro, Wayne Phipps, Library Director Andrew Jenrich, Children's Librarian Tara Winslow. Absent Leigh Martin, Kelley Aubut

- Call to order by Amy – 6:04 pm
- Amy read the remote meeting participation statement.
  
- Andrew presented the Director's report and Budget reports.
  - Paula Pearlman has resigned her position of 21 years. We will miss her and thank her for her many years of service. Andrew will present her with a leaf for the donor tree and a gift.
  - John Erickson will be by to look at the crack in the Children's area.
  - Programming continues to be very popular with some programs having wait lists
  - The staff continues to weed books. Andrew is looking for a new location to donate these books.
  - Solarize MendonUpton will do a presentation on February 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7 pm.
  - State Aid will be dispensed as a lump sum this year. The amount will be 20% more than previous years.
  
- On a motion by Ellen, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Shana the Board unanimously approved the December 16, 2020 meeting minutes.

- The Board continued discussion on developing a Strategic Plan.
  - Amy suggested we commission a committee headed by Andrew to assess the long-range goals of the library. A list of 9 or 10 residents was compiled.
  - Andrew, Amy, and Ellen will be reaching out to these people to measure their interest in the committee.
  - Ellen will draft a letter to be sent to the prospective participants.
  - Amy asked all members to review Andrew's first-pass and other libraries mission statements and recommend edits or their own. Andrew sent copies of other libraries statements to all Trustees in October.
- Next meeting on January 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm
- On a motion from Ellen, 2<sup>nd</sup> from Wayne the meeting was adjourned at 7:42pm