

Taft Public Library Board of Trustees Minutes 6/15/2021

Members Present : Ellen Agro, Wayne Phipps, Shana Miller, Alison Chu, Sean Nicholson

Staff Present: Andrew Jenrich, Tara Windsor

Friends of Taft Library member: Gaye Porciello

Meeting called to Order @ 6:00 pm

1. Minutes from 5/12/2021 Wayne motioned to approve, Shana Miller second motion, minutes approved unanimously.
2. Welcomed Alison Chu as new Trustee.
3. Discussion of vacancy of Amy Fahey. Awaiting a new appointment by select board/interest and letter sent to board for approval.
4. Welcome Sean Nicholson as new Trustee from School Committee.
5. Friends of Taft Update: Three new members so now it has doubled in size. Two new members helped out most of the day with the book sale. The book sale was the best yet. It raised \$1135. This year they requested donations versus price per book. People were very generous. The Friends will be joint funding paint nights now that Christin Barnett is an employee. A future plan for possibly Fall is partnering with other Friends groups to have a scavenger hunt across the towns. The fund raising will come from an entry fee. The scavenger hunt will be a point system to make it less of a race atmosphere and so all ages can be included.
6. Tara Windsor Summer reading update: Tails and Tales which will be all about animals. Registration opened today and 15 have already registered. Partnering with Baypath for story times with a couple of adoptable dogs. JJs Ice Cream Facebook weekly Raffle will continue this year, as there were many requests. Partnering with Dan Byer of the Parks department for two summer beach concerts. Partnering with West Hill Dam for two nature based Rocks & Roll programs. Paint nights, Mosaic, Classes, Story times, Cozy Tea cart, Cooking with Chef Rob, and more will continue through summer reading.
7. Andrew Presented Budget. There are some open shifts for July and August due to vacations but should be covered and schedule worked out next week. Furniture will possibly be back out in July. No more quarantine for materials. Landscaping project by a girl scout for her project is in the works for areas that need some TLC. Programs all continue to be well attended. July 25th is summer reading kickoff via Zoom with Upton Library. Monday June 28th is Friends Meeting via zoom @ 7:30 pm. The worm race and Oreos stacking will be back this summer. Dan Byer is looking into a National Grid initiative for an electric car charging station for the senior center and the library that is a grant and 100% covered. Fine free will rollout in September. Regional News includes a Hotspot program with libraries. CMLA is doing trivia event in Sutton in October date TBD.
8. Discussion of town Electric car use for shut-ins to do book deliveries possibly 1 to 2 times per month. Get the word out via online forms, senior newsletter, other newsletters, flyers, etc.
9. Next Meeting set for Wednesday July 21st @ 6pm.

6:45 pm Motion to adjourn by Shana Miller, second by Wayne Phipps. Meeting adjourned.