Minutes of the October 1, 2024, Regular Meeting

of the

Lake Pleasant Library Board of Trustees

Members Present: Donna Benkovich,Toni Morrison, Kathy O’Connell, Pam Pooler, Nancy Seifts.

Members Absent: Karen McComb, Florence Braunius, Susan Hartmann, Beth Knapp

Staff Present: Katrena Cohea

Meeting Called to Order at 3:58 p.m.

1. Public Comments: None.
2. A Motion to approve the Minutes of the September 2, 2024, Regular Meeting was made by K. O’Connell, seconded by N. Seifts and passed unanimously.
3. Welcome to Sara Dallas (SALS)

Sarah informed the Board that the Construction Grant the Library applied for has been approved. She also reminded the Board that there is an opening on the SALS Board for a representative from Hamilton County.

The issue of Schenectady County Library leaving the JA Project was discussed at length. JA fees will be set for 2026 in January 2025.

Sara shared the SALS Strategic Plan with the Board.

Trustee Training – requires 2 hours of training annually for Board members.

NY Library Association will meet in Syracuse November 6-8. Sara thanked the Board for being advocates for Libraries.

1. Friends of the Library – No report.
2. President’s Report – K. McComb
3. Committee Reports
   1. Finance – N. Seifts

N. Seifts reviewed the current financials and the preliminary budget.

* 1. Collection – K. Cohea, T. Morrison, P. Pooler, R. Cook.
  2. Publicity – K. Cohea

No report.

* 1. Building –K. McComb, K. O’Connell

The SALS Construction Grant application will be available shortly.

K. O’Connell is working on getting the hooks up for the Light up the Library.

* 1. Personnel – B. Knapp, F. Braunius

No Report.

* 1. Fundraising – K. McComb, T. Morrison, P. Pooler, K. Cohea

No Report

* 1. Events/Programs – K. Cohea

See Director’s Report. Light up the Night will be held December 12th. P. Pooler would like to have caroling that night as well.

* 1. Community Involvement – K. Cohea

No Report.

1. Director’s Report – K. Cohea
   1. See attached.
2. Old Business
   1. Digital sign; auctions international - K. O’Connell is still investigating.
   2. Waiver of overdue fees - Motion was made to not waive overdue fees by P. Pooler, seconded by N. Seifts and passed .
3. New Business
   1. Highway Clean Up Day: October 15th @ 3 p.m.
   2. Board Training on October 15 from 5-6:30 p.m.
   3. Trunk of Treats on October 31 – 4-7:00.

Motion to adjourn was made at 5:45 p.m. by N. Seifts seconded by D. Benkovich and passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Toni E. Morrison, Secretary

**The next Board of Trustees meeting will be Tuesday, November 5, at 4 pm at the Lake Pleasant Library.**