

Lewisboro Library Board

January 13, 2020 Virtual Meeting Minutes

Board members present: Nancy Euchner, Rich Sklarin, Kevin Fitzmartin, Andrew Tedder, Elena Dunn, Priscilla Luckow, Jennifer Cayea, Peter Rose, Colleen McLafferty, Linda Press Wolfe

Board members absent: Jay Luzzi, Melissa LeSauvage,

Others present: Cindy Rubino, Jane Crimmins, Kathy Iglesias, Marianne Pei, Liz Gabriele, Jane Rothschild, Jessica Leibman

Approval of December 2020 minutes – Motion by Colleen. Seconded by Kevin. Approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Year 2020 Net Funding amounted to \$35,382 compared to a net underfunding level of \$(14,839) for 2019.

Library funding increased by \$84,152 over the last year due to generous donations and the PPP loan. Investment account at UBS is doing well. Expenses for 2020 increased approximately \$34,000 over 2019. The higher expense reflects increases in salaries and benefits, COVID-19 mitigation costs, and a correction in the funding of the employee pension plan. These cost increases were partially offset by lower operating and program related expenses

President's Report

Nancy welcomed Jane Rothschild as the new teen librarian. New Board member, Veronica McIlraith was also welcomed by Nancy and the entire board and library staff.

Martha Handler has been confirmed as the key note speaker for the Annual Meeting on January 31, 2021 at 4pm via Zoom. The business meeting will happen first, followed by Martha Handler's talk about her novel and her involvement with the Wolf Conservation Center.

Nancy announced that her family will be moving to South Carolina in early March, but will stay on as President attending meetings virtually, until a replacement is found.

Director's Report

Cindy welcomed Jane Rothschild as new Teen Librarian and expressed she has become a great addition to the staff.

Reopening phase has continued to be curbside pick-up only.

Cindy is looking into the second round of PPP loan and believes the library would again qualify.

More patrons are using digital services provided by the library. Library Giving Day will again happen on April 7th.

New committee assignments for 2021 were recorded.

Committee Reports

Fundraising – Appeal letter was remailed to the residents who did not receive initially and produced good results.

Pop-Up Bake Sale will be looking for more bakers to help with future events.

Virtual wine tasting event with John Vuolo will take place on Saturday February 13. Price set at \$125 and includes 3 bottles of wine, chocolates, cheese sticks, bottle stoppers, long stem roses all in a library canvas tote bag.

Nominating – Jenn nominated Jay Luzzi for a 3rd term. Nancy made motion to approve. Jenn seconded. Unanimously approved.

Building and Grounds – Joel is aware of the sign that is in need of repair and will fix in the spring.

Personnel and Finance – Both committees will meet via Zoom to discuss looking for a new benefits company to manage 403B.

Town Councilmember Jane Crimmins reported that a Steering Committee is being formed to look at the Master Plan of the Town of Lewisboro for reorganizing purposes.

Next Library Board meeting scheduled for February 10, 2021 at 730pm.

Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:45pm made by Peter. Seconded by Jenn.

Minutes taken by Elena Dunn