

Etna Library Trustee Meeting Minutes November 19, 2019

Present: Kathleen Chaimberg, Elizabeth Cornell, Liz Marshall, Barbara Prince

The October meeting minutes were accepted with minor revision.

Librarian's report: Barbara presented usage and circulation figures for October.

Review of programs: Many children and their young at heart chaperones enthusiastically enjoyed the annual pumpkin-decorating event.

Old Business

Outdoor program sign: Ideas for the design and possible location of an outdoor sign to highlight upcoming library events was discussed. The Lyme town library was mentioned as a comparable rural institution whose signage may provide further inspiration for our own.

Jerry Nunnally lecture series: On January 24th at 7 pm Etna resident and long-term friend of the library Jim Block is slated to present what will surely be an amazing pictorial review of his trip to the Dolomites in northeastern Italy.

Books in memory of Kim Wilson: An invitation has been extended to Kim's husband John and their family to view the collection of books that have been donated to the library and now are commemorated in her honor.

Gift money purchases: A number of potential expenditures to enhance patrons' experience and support the library's mission were discussed. A nominal amount was approved by the trustees for the purchase of magnetic toys to be shared at Story Time.

Indoor display case: Potential rearrangements of our physical space that would allow for the addition of an indoor display case were explored.

Thanksgiving pie sale: This much anticipated event will take place Wednesday, November 27 from 9 to noon, with additional hours of 2 to 7pm as needed until all the goodies are gone.

FY2021 budget: Barbara will be meeting with town officials in December to discuss.

New Business

Winter programs: Ideas for holiday and seasonally themed craft projects targeted for school aged children and emphasizing inclusivity were brainstormed.

Volunteer appreciation and plaques: Saturday, January 11th from 10 to noon was set aside as the designated date and time for the annual Etna Library volunteer appreciation tea. Nominations for those volunteers who are deserving of special recognition for their exceptional generosity of time and service to the library were discussed.

Library coverage: No difficulties were identified.

The next meeting of the trustees will be December 17, 2019 at 3pm