


Minutes of the LIBRARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

At the SALEM FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

Tuesday, April 16, 2024 at: 6:00 PM


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- **Present:** Dee Doolittle, Mary Cikatz, Maureen Collins, Heather Wilkey, Teresa Jorgensen (arrived at 6:05 PM), Kristin Kiczuk (arrived at 6:08 PM)
 - Shannon Henson – Library Director
- **Absent:** none
- **Guests:** Carl Nawrocki, Kevin Lyden, Bart Drennen

1. Call to Order at 6:02 PM
 - a. Pledge of Allegiance
 - b. Additions to the Agenda - none
 - c. Approval of the Agenda – **M/S Maureen/Heather to approve agenda as written, 4/0**
2. Public Comments/Correspondence - nothing
3. Approval of Minutes of Meeting on March 12, 2024 – **M/S Heather/Maureen to approve minutes as written, 4/0**
4. Reports of Board Officers
 - a. Chairperson – budget season is approaching its climax
 - i. Kevin Lyden says he will support the budget that has been presented
 - ii. \$99,000 for staff salaries at this point
 - b. Secretary – nothing extra to report
 - c. Treasurer – total deposits to town for 23-24 FY of \$835.61, with no change from the previous month – **M/S to accept treasurer's report Dee/Maureen as presented, 5/0**
5. Other Reports
 - a. Library Director– Shannon Henson
 - i. Shannon is very appreciative of the support from the board and Friends at the various town meetings about the budget
 - ii. Highlighted some of the programs/happenings – Solar Eclipse (glasses are being collected to be passed on to other parts of the world), ability to have a staff meeting, Passport to CT libraries, Fairy Door scavenger hunt (85 participants),
 - b. Friends of the Salem Library (FOSL) – Carl Nawrocki
 - i. Books continue to being picked up for the October sale – tomorrow, will be 40 boxes of books from Waterford
 - ii. Norm Rabe's sister is donating several boxes of books
 - iii. Thank you cards to staff during National Library Week – board writes out the cards, and the Friends provide gift cards from Two Brothers; have been doing this for years!
 - iv. Christmas in July is inviting non-profits to join – Friends will decide if/how to take part in this event
 - v. Lion's Tag sale with Friends small book sale will be August 17th only
6. Unfinished Business
 - a. Update on status of "give a book/take a book" kiosks
 - i. From Carl – Lions have contributed \$150 worth of wood which will make 3 of the kiosks; need people to paint them (weatherproof paint); Carl said someone