

Raquette Lake Library

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August 20, 2022, Meeting

I. Calling meeting to order

Elizabeth Noonan, “Biz” called the meeting of the Raquette Lake Library to order on Monday, August 20, 2022, at 10:51am at the RL Library. Present were Biz Noonan, Jim Dillon, Jack Reagan, and Carolynn Dufft. Present were also Desiree Lurf and Nancy Grosselfinger. Absent: Kathy Reihle.

Approval of April 11, 2022 minutes with two changes (i) the meeting date and (ii) the discrepancy amount in the financials of the annual report was changed from \$10,000 to \$20,000. Biz made a motion to approve the April 11, 2022 minutes. Jim seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Public comment:

Nancy Grosselfinger noted that her public comment for April was missing from the minutes and that it can easily be cut and pasted. The same applied for the annual meeting. Her public comment had been omitted.

Nancy also commented on June 19th having become a public holiday. And that the library should follow it (include it in its list of Federal holidays). Nancy also inquired as to the status of the fax to email services and online donations. [Answer from board: No progress made].

II. Treasurer’s Report by Jim Dillon:

August:

Bills are routine, payroll, bill for posts \$5,948.57 discount \$10 per hour and \$152 materials
Local library state aid: \$1,434
Can deposit: \$ 796
New balance: \$72,033.45

Colleen made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report and Jack seconded it. All were in favor.

III. Librarian’s Report as done by Carolynn Dufft:

Item Circulation:

Jul 2022: 768	Jun 2022: 219	May 2022: 219	Apr 2022: 177
Jul 2021: 718	Jun 2021: 317	May 2021: 217	Apr 2021: 177

ILL Out (Items Transferred to Fill Holds):

Jul 2022: 226	Jun 2022: 177	May 2022: 132	Apr 2022: 153
Jul 2021: 282	Jun 2021: 345	May 2021: 301	Apr 2021: 328

Meraki report (Outside WiFi users):

Jul 2022: 1,196	Jun 2022: 393	May 2022: 180	Apr 2022: 67
Jul 2021: 1,243	Jun 2021: 400	May 2021: 199	Apr 2021: 71

2022 Annual Book Sale:

Per 8/20/2022 raised \$3,707 in book sale

Day of total:	\$3,158.05
Books--	\$1,911.50
Raffle--	\$1,044
Donations--	\$202.55
Donations from Sun-Thurs.	\$549

Summer Programs:

July 6, Wed: Tie-Dye—Kat Forsell, Host: Always well received. This year there were 21 children and 17 adults. Besides the participants, there were other adults watching the fun.

August 2, Tues: Utica Zoomobile—Carolynn Dufft, host. Justin & Ryan are Presenters. This is always well received. This year there were 152 children and adults that attended. Tuesday worked great after storytime and I do not have to come up on my day off (Wed) for an hour.

Our usual storytime (July & August) was enjoyed. On August 16, we had a special treat. Caitlin Stewart from the Hamilton County Soil & Water Conservation District read “Good Morning Loon”, then the children made a Loon with the craft supplies she brought. Everyone had fun. I will be putting up pics on our website.

Biz made a motion to accept the Librarian Report. Colleen seconded it. All were in favor.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

- Awnings: Jack updated on research and cost, which has probably increased to \$2500 a piece. Jack had previously held off on ordering since costs of pillars were still unknown. Asked

for permission to order awnings now. Jim made a motion to order. Colleen seconded it. All were in favor.

- Credit card payments via website, research to be continued.
- Board still needs to clarify the internet bill with SALS. It's roughly \$178 per month. SALS was paying Frontier charges, which they will pass on to us. Carolynn will check with Chris if he has done his part and then will call Frontier to negotiate with them.
- Audit: Biz has singled in on three companies.
- Carolynn explained that SALS invested money to update websites and that the RLL website will be given, near top of the list, attention.
- Two new computers were delivered by SALS and set up. Costs will be reported on.
- Library card party was clouded by covid cases, but some children in town still attended, had fun and appreciated their gifts.

V. New Business

- Assurance form was needed to be signed by Biz to upgrade Meraki routers. The board reviewed the form. The new Meraki routers are being paid for by SALS and at no cost to the libraries.
- All agreed that Juneteenth is now an official NYS and Federal holiday and should be observed.
- Library bear is falling apart. It should be sealed every year. This is probably the library's third bear: Carolynn would like to get a Loon and will present ideas at the next meeting.
- Carolynn also suggested signing up with Mango languages, which is about \$1,100 per year; people with a valid library card could use it online to learn languages.

Public comment:

- Nancy asked whether the board considered a Friends of the library section (which in lay terms is an official grouping of volunteers). The Board had tried getting volunteers to start a Friends of the library group in the past, but there was no interest

Jim made a motion to thank Desi for her service for the library.

Jim asked to transfer \$30,000 out of the checking account into a CD account.

Biz made a motion to adjourn the board meeting at 11:46 am. Colleen seconded it. All were in favor.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday October 17, 2022, at 5:30 pm. This will also be the budget meeting.