

## **Belmont Public Library Trustee Meeting Minutes**

Date: Monday, September 9, 2019

Called to order at 4:41pm

Present: Mary Charnley, Gail Thomas, Diana Johnson, Eileen Gilbert (library director)

Mary made a motion to accept August minutes as well as the library director's and financial reports. Gail seconded and it passed.

### Old Business

Summer Program: The weekly prizes seemed a motivation so that will be repeated next year. Eileen is open to suggestions to get adults more involved. A book group for middle schoolers was suggested.

Windowpanes- no new information about replacing damaged pieces. In addition to panes being replaced, a new storm window is needed on a window on the back of the building (the previous one shattered). Once windows are repaired, they need to be cleaned and new blinds need to be ordered. The air conditioners have been removed from the windows. Eileen mentioned them on Facebook and someone is interested in taking them.

Installation of cooling/heating system: it went well though took longer than expected. They are finishing up in the basement. There were no public comments about being closed during the work.

### New Business

Budget: Eileen shared the proposed budget and it was discussed with the trustees. Any increases are in line with that of the past three years (1.7% of the municipal budget).

Sargent Fund: Mary asked about ideas for this. Eileen shared that another story walk might be nice. A number of youngsters have gone through all of the literacy kits and so some new ones would be nice. A couple of the chrome books are no longer working and so we could maybe use this for replacement.

Adjourned at 5:45.

Next Meeting: October 15, 4pm.

Respectfully submitted by Diana Johnson