POWERS LIBRARY ASSOCIATION MONTHLY MEETING

Meeting Minutes

January 17, 2023

	Status		Status		Status
(19) Jackie Schnurr (JS)	Present	(19) Josh Marnell (JM)	Not Present	(22) Mary Owen (MO)	Present
(19) Anna Krieger (AK)	Present			(22) Martyn Beeny (MB)	Present
(16) Bonnie Thomas (BT)	Present	Lori Cochran (LC)	Present		

January meeting of the POWERS LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES called to order at 6:32 PM by JS.

No changes or corrections to December minutes.

Treasurer's Report: AK No statements available – no report given. MO – question about ML managed fund; AK to set up future meeting of ML rep with board – possibly April.

Director's Report: LC Written report handed out and discussed (including long range plan – attached). Met with Tom Pennell to discuss future programming: he has ideas for all different age groups.

Business:

- New Board members: LC to meet with 3 board candidates will send out their applications to current board members for review prior to board vote.
 BT finished one year extension of 2nd 3-year term in 2022. JS made motion to keep BT on board for 1 more year motion passed.
- Tax levy ask: \$94,500? Board voted unanimously to go over tax cap. Discussion regarding amount tabled. (Reference in hand-out: Tax Cap Information for Libraries NYLA [www.nyla.org])
- *Usage Data MO*: Survey data of patron visits by year and by hour attached.
- Open discussion: JS restart self-evaluations for director and additionally for board members; AK/MO regarding trustee continuing education: can classes on 3rd Tuesday be attended by group @ library? LC suggested sign-in sheet; MO question on annual meeting, and point person for committee topics rather than committees?; JS suggested March meeting focus on planning; LC no sales tax on occasional / pay what you want book sale.

Annual and Re-Organizational Meetings: January 24, 2023; 6:30pm

Next Regular Meeting: February 21, 2023; 6:30pm

Adjournment: 7:29 PM

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Bonnie Thomas

For December 2022

Highlights for December:

- Meeting spaces were used by: Knitting Club, CAP/Health Navigator and Patrons
- Story Hour & Craft time continues
- December 10th Santa and Mrs. Claus event. Hoping to have a Pop-Up book sale in basement during this event. 55 in attendance
- December 28th Robotics with Sara Wagner/4-H Educator (she will return in April)

Personnel:

Key holders-usage after hours.

Data:

- New patrons December 2022: 13 December 2021: 3
- Mary Owen creating database for the Library visit,

Grants:

Nothing to report

Events/Upcoming Goals:

- Library collections have been relocated, still have work to do on this project.
- Long Range Planning for 5 year plan reviewed and edited, plan is good until 2025
- Library Advocacy Day-February 28th. Support Library by completing any surveys regarding this upcoming event that come your way.
- Received \$100 from the First Presbyterian Church of Scipioville for the purchase of books on gun safety.

Lori Cochran, Director



A charter member of the Finger Lakes Library System

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POWERS LIBRARY ASSOCIATION LONG RANGE PLAN OF SERVICE 2020-2025

VISION STATEMENT:

Powers Library will provide an innovative learning environment for all ages, collections and services relevant to our community needs, and staff that will provide courteous and responsive service.

MISSION STATEMENT:

Powers Library's mission is to foster fellowship and to meet the educational, cultural and social needs of our diverse community by providing quality materials, information and services.

The following three service responses have been recommended by the Services and Planning Committee:

- 1. Advocate for our library both locally and throughout Cayuga County
- 2. Increase outreach to our diverse stakeholders
- 3. Maintain access to technological advances for our community

1) ADVOCATE FOR OUR LIBRARY BOTH LOCALLY AND THROUGHOUT CAYUGA COUNTY

- Increase our offerings to outlying small towns (such as Locke, Sempronius, Summerhill) by hosting local movies nights at their venues.
- Increase communication with the county in terms of the services that we offer
- Campaign for increased funding from the State, County and from outlying towns
- Increase publicity through multiple media types

2) INCREASE PROGRAMS TO OUR DIVERSE STAKEHOLDERS

- Devise creative ways to involve the community in our programs, such as increasing services for the home bound, increasing programs for children and teenagers, and increasing opportunities for the homeschooled community
- Host more programs during the less busy times of the year, such as a winter movie night, cabin fever days, and adult education programs

3) MAINTAIN ACCESS TO TECHNOLOGICAL ADVANCES FOR OUR COMMUNITY

- Create a focus group of stakeholders to determine what technology the library should provide, such as coding workshops and live gaming tournaments for youth, and internet safety and electronic petting zoos for adults.
- Create and maintain a website to keep the community informed of our programs.

Patron Visits by Year

Patron Visits by Hour

