**William H. and Lucy F. Rand Memorial Library**

160 Railroad Street Suite 2

North Troy, Vermont 05859

Trustees Meeting on August 23, 2021

Present: Nancy Pelletier, Denise Grahn, Sue Barnett, John Thibbitts, Jennifer Molinski, Carole Fortier

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 pm by chairman, Nancy Pelletier.

The secretary's report was read by Carole Fortier and accepted by John Thibbitts and seconded by Nancy Pelletier.

The library director's report was read by Jennifer Molinski and is attached. The highlights were that her summer program has ended, the adult book club will meet on line Sept. 13, the Red Clover conference will be remote on Oct. 15 for 3 hours, the library will be closed Aug. 27 and Sept 6 and 7, and the ARP grant for $3249 has been submitted. It should be approved by Sept, money should arrive in October and Jenn will check in mid December to be sure that it has all been spent.

Sue will check with Amanda Boutin for ideas about a Jay representative on the Rand Trustee Board.

John will write the letter to the Village Trustees concerning control over the expenditure of voted monies and bring it to the next meeting.

The next meeting is scheduled for September 20 at 5:30 pm.

Sue moved that the meeting be adjourned; Nancy seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 6 pm.

August 2021 Librarians Report

* We finished out the Children’s Summer Programs Tails and Tales with a celebration. All the children wore their tie- dyed shirts with the vinyl that I put on them. We had juice; donuts & cinnamons rolls for snack. Each of the children received their reading certificates, a ribbon to get into Champlain Valley Fair for free plus get a free book, one ride ticket and an ice cream cone plus they got a bag of goodies from the library plus they were able to choose two brand new books. We took a group picture that I will be submitting to the chronicle that they will hopefully include at some point in their printing.
* I submitted everything for the ARP grant through the Care Acts plus the budget. We should hear in September if they budget that I proposed is accepted. I proposed developing collections for LGBTQ, Philosophy, Self-Help/Spiritual, Recreation and Graphic Novels. I don’t believe any of the area’s I proposed to purchase material for will be rejected because we are lacking books in those areas. I looked up books to purchase under our supplier Brodart and saved lists under each heading. We should receive the funds for the Grant in October and once we receive the grants, I will just purchase what I have saved, and I will make sure that before the middle of December what was purchased as used all the funds. If it hasn’t the webinar, I watched said the money can be used to purchase anything for collection development to ensure we just use up the monies and not have to send any back. My plan is to use what ever is left for the children’s section as we have already run out of funds for that area in our budget.
* We received an e-mail from Jason Broughton our State Librarian that he is leaving us. I’m not positive on the date yet but he has been offered a position at the Library of Congress in Washington DC and has decided to take it. He is going to be greatly missed and has been a huge asset to all the libraries in Vermont during covid these past 18 months and anything we had a question he was quick to get back to us and was always willing to offer his help.
* The next Red Clover conference is going to be held remotely again. The date is Friday October 15th.
* The adult book club is still meeting online once a month. Our next book club is September 13th @ 6pm through Facebook Group. We will be discussing the Narrative of the Life of Fredrick Douglass: An American Slave.
* The library will be closed September 6th & 7th for Labor Day.