

The Board of Trustees of Red Hook Public Library

August 19, 2021

Present: Josh Bardfield, Sally Dwyer-McNulty, Beth Goldberg, Dawn Jardine, Noah Murphy (Guest), Don O'Shea, Amy Smith (Guest), and Ryan Sterple (Guest)

Josh brought the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

- I. Amy Smith introduced Noah Murphy and Ryan Sterple and the Board learned about the Teen Takeover of the Library. The Takeover is funded by a grant that supports teen-identified youth needs. Noah and Ryan explained that Red Hook teens were looking for jobs, inexpensive activities, and food. Amy and the teen organizers planned their program around the theme of an arcade and they've spent the last few Sundays showing movies, playing video gaming, making tacos, playing building-wide hide and seek, and much more. There's room to expand so if more kids join in September, they can be accommodated. The Board thanked Noah and Ryan and complimented them on their inspiring work.
- II. Secretary's Report -- Don made a motion to accept the Secretary's Report with edits; Beth seconded; 3-0 approval.
- III. Treasurer's Report -- Josh reviewed the P&L. He noted the significance of grant funds and how they currently offset some of our expenses. Don noted that postage is going up to \$0.58. Total Liabilities and Assets: \$966, 910.83. The Board discussed Treasurer's report. Sally made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report; Don seconded; 4-0 approval.
- IV. Director's Report -- The Board discussed unmasked visitors, the upcoming DaySeckler meeting, upgrading our desktop QuickBooks, and the repairs needed in the alcove. We may need to have a meeting the first week in September to vote on the expenditures. Josh made a motion to accept the Director's Report; Beth seconded; 4-0 approval.
- V. Committee Reports
 - a) Board Development -- Sally reported on the Board Development meeting and its recommendation that Board members refer potential Board applicants to the Board Development Committee. The Board discussed term lengths and the recruitment of volunteers for subcommittees. Josh reminded the Board that we should prioritize representation from across the community. The Policy Committee will review the recent additions to the "Filling a Vacancy on the Board of Trustees Policy" and bring the policy back to the full Board for a vote.
- VI. Public Comment -- None
- VII. Action Items
 - a) Warrant -- Josh made a motion to approve the Warrant and the supplement; Beth seconded; 4-0 approval.
 - b) Trustee Applicants -- Don made a motion to accept the application of Trish Dantzic for a Board Trustee; Sally seconded; 3 approval, 1 abstention; motion passed.
 - c) DC APG Infrastructure grant -- Beth made a motion to pursue the grant; Josh seconded; 4-0 approval.

Josh made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:13; Sally seconded; 4-0 approval.

Minute respectfully submitted by Sally Dwyer-McNulty