Mountain Top Library

Minutes Regular Meeting

August 15 2023

Meeting called to order at 5:30. Present were Susan Kleinfelder, Bob Hersey, Ellen Manfredi, Stephanie Streich, Heather Barnett, Cathy Wade and Maureen Garcia, library director. Minutes of previous meeting were approved on a motion made by Heather, 2nd by Stephanie and passed.

Treasurer’s Report: full report is attached. On a motion made by Heather, 2nd by Bob the Amazon Smiles account will be closed and those funds in the amount of $201.88 transferred to the operating account. Motion passed with Cathy Wade abstaining. Cathy will check on the Scholarship account to determine the best way to handle that and avoid service charges.

Director’s Report: full report is attached. Museum Pass Policy passed as written on a motion made by Ellen, 2nd by Heather and passed. Passes for Olana, Thomas Cole site and Huguenot Street will be available to borrow and there will be a link on our website with related info. The book signing netted $1335. Thank you to Deborah Goodrich Royce, The Pantry on Main and Elevated Spirits for helping to make that a success. Ally will be returning to work next week.

Building Report: someone backed into one of our outside lights and damaged it, Will repaired and made it more secure. Discussion on new door options.

Friends Report: Friends will be meeting tomorrow night at 7.

President’s Report: Board officers conferred on accepting Maureen’s letter of resignation and options for the next director position. Consensus after discussion with Maureen and Jaki Elmo was to present the following plan to the full board for a vote. Maureen will remain as director until the end of the last full pay period in 2023. Jaki, who has been employed here for 8 years, will be promoted to the director position at that time.

Old Business: Ellen contacted the Town Clerk to check on 414 paperwork status. The County Board of Elections has accepted the petitions and the 414 will be on the ballot in November. We can start to plan the mailing to promote that vote.

New Business: On a motion made by Ellen, 2nd by Cathy and passed the Board accepts with gratitude and regret the resignation of Maureen as library director effective at the end of the last pay period in December 2023. Jaki Elmo will be promoted to director at that time with pay and benefits to be determined. In the interim Jaki is designated as assistant director with a pay increase of $1 per hour and she will be assuming some of Maureen’s work hours and duties.

Meeting adjourned at 6:30 on a motion made by Cathy, 2nd by Bob and passed.

Next Meeting is Tuesday September 19 at 5pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Ellen Manfredi, Secretary