

Waterford Public Library
117 Third St, Waterford NY
Minutes of Library Board of Trustees Meeting of January 14, 2020

The regular monthly meeting of of the Board of Trustees of the Waterford Public Library was held on Tuesday, January 14, 2020, at the Library, and brought to order at 6:05pm. Present were Trustees Joanne Mcleod, Christine Connell, Barry Walsh, and James Formosa, and Director Tim McDonough. Absent with prior notice was Trustee Barb Turpin

Minutes Minutes from December 2019 meeting were not available, so approval postponed to February 2020 meeting.

Friends Group Report In addition to previously announced fundraising events, the Friends are looking to approach businesses in Waterford. Friends Group Report is attached.

Financial Reports

General Ledger report was approved, moved by Walsh, seconded by Connell, motion carried
Operating fund balance on Dec 31, 2019 was \$3973.34 Budget v. Actual and Balance Sheet reviewed.
Warrants approved for payment, motion by Walsh, seconded by McCleod. It was noted that tax receipt monies allowed the Library's Money Market account to gain a higher interest rate (1%).

Directors Report

Director's Report for December 2019 (attached) was shared with Trustees
It was noted that material circulation has dropped 50% over the past five years and that this demonstrates that materials (nationally as well as locally) are not clearly not the future focus of libraries mission and day-to-day operations.

Youth Services

December's Gingerbread House programs were well-attended. Puzzle Swap was a success (Eight people participated, and 39 puzzles were swapped. Liz has been asked to be on the planning committee for the NYLA Youth Service Section (YSS) Spring Conference for 2021.

Old Business (Strategic Planning)

A meeting is scheduled for Jan 20 with Erica Freudenberger of SALS for initial review of results of the community surveys. Further meetings with Erica and the full Board will be scheduled.

New Business

Director McDonough presented a potential program on the Iditarod for the week of school Spring Break. A motion to fund presentation and advertising (up to \$675) was made by McCleod, seconded by Formosa. Motion carried.

Public Comment No public comment

Executive Session

The Board went into Executive Session at 7:10pm and left Executive Session at 7:45pm

Motion to adjourn made at 7:45pm by Connell, seconded by Walsh. Next meeting scheduled for Feb 11, 2020

Respectfully submitted, Chris Connell