

AURORA TOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

December 13, 2016 at 1:00 pm

Present: Deborah Carr-Hoagland, Richard Wiesen, Alice Askew, Kara Spencer-Ching, Carol Griffis, Director Rob Alessi

Guests: none

1. Comments from the audience: none

2. Minutes of the meeting, November 15, 2016 were approved as submitted. (RW,AA)

3. Treasurer's Report and monthly financial statements, November 2016 were approved after brief review. (AA,RW)

4. Director's report, November 2016 was accepted following review. (AA,RW) Erie County Comptroller, visited for about 15 minutes yesterday. He was surprised at how busy the building was at the time.

5. Reports of Interest

a. Discards & Book Sale storage: as reported last month, Joe Wright, building manager at Gleed Ave, is willing to allow our continued use of the space until or if the space is rented. Since then, Rhoda has been in touch with Benderson regarding other space in town, such as was used in the past. Weighing the options, it was decided to stay in place as long as allowed. Rob appreciates seeing Jim Bach or other Town officials almost every time he is over there.

b. The *Friends* are having a Holiday Basket Raffle, the drawing of the winning ticket to be on December 20th.

c. No Trustees were available to attend the recent meeting of ACT. Material is now available on-line.

d. The Western New York Library Resource Council wants to schedule a meeting here with State Representatives in the near future.

e. March 1, Library Day in Albany

f. The new kitchenette is due to be installed later this afternoon

6. Personnel

a. Payroll Report though PP23 shows that we will end the year in a comfortable position financially. Rob hopes to hire at least one and possibly 2 new pages after the first of the year.

7. Old Business

a. Fireplace: Rob contacted Pro Fireplace again yesterday, reiterated our desire for a new estimate. He also spoke to Jim Cordes who is also busy with the holiday. He plans to come in to take measurements when he has a free moment.

8. New Business

a. At a meeting of contracting library managers on Nov.30th, nearly all libraries generally agreed they will close on the 10th of November and remain open the 11th. So for consistency, ATPL will follow suit. A motion made and carried (AA, KSC) to follow the calendar as now proposed by Rob but with the addition of closing at 6:00 for Halloween, Tuesday, October 31.

b. 2017 Board meetings: Deb will be absent for the January 24th, the February meeting will be on the 14th@1:30, and for the annual on April 25th, we will start at 12:30.

c. Maker Space. We still have almost \$5000 available from Gallivan technology funds. Julia attended a presentation at CEN and would like to schedule 'MakerSpace Mondays' in attempt to have more family focused programs on the calendar. Motion made to provide up to \$3000 for the needed supplies & materials. (DCH, RW). Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 2:40

Carol Griffis, secretary