

GEORGE HOLMES BIXBY MEMORIAL LIBRARY  
MINUTES FOR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
Wednesday, September 2, 2020  
4:00 Via Zoom

**In Attendance:** Jan Hicks, Chair; Mindy Pobst, Secretary; Moe Baptiste, Trustee; Dave Luther, Trustee; Peggy Merrow, Trustee; Daryl Hazel, Alternate Trustee; Laura Abrahamsen, Library Director; Chloe Kipka, Children's Librarian

**Members of the Public:** none

**Meeting convened: 4:08**

I. Approval of August 5, 2020 meeting minutes

**Peggy moved, Jan seconded, and the minutes were approved as amended.**

II. Librarian's Reports

A. Laura

Many library books have been weeded and Laura has made arrangements for their removal.

She is planning to create a special collection / display to showcase resources about antique houses.

She is also considering reopening the "free library" outside the building.

She is pleased with the implementation of Biblionex, particularly its efficiency in preparing statistics.

She asked the Trustees to consider how to prioritize paying for various online subscriptions in the future.

She reported that she opened a conversation about patrons and their reactions to the pandemic on a Directors Conference Call last week among area libraries. She felt the ensuing discussion was worthwhile.

Interlibrary Loan service will resume on September 15.

B. Chloe

1. There is a new Story Walk based on the story, *A Different Pond* by Bao Phi. It begins in the library's backyard and wraps around the entire building.

2. The Children's Literacy Foundation has donated many books. These books range in reading level from picture books to young adult and are free to children.

3. There are new craft kits based on the theme, "It's Beading Time". Since implementing this program, 59 kits have been checked out.

4. Instagram has 56 followers. She is pleased with these results and the capability this provides of reaching a different audience.

III. Treasurer's Monthly Report

**Mindy moved, Dave seconded, and the August Treasurer's Report was approved.**

IV. Ongoing Business

A. Trustees' Suggestions

B. Sign for Book Drop

David was thanked for his work on the sign for the book drop. It looks great and everyone is very pleased with it.

C. Other

V. New Business

**Jan moved, Peggy seconded, and it was approved to spend up to \$50.00 to purchased plants to decorate the front of the library.**

**Dave & Moe will determine how to address fixing the sparse parts of the lawn.**

VI. Public Comment

There was no public comment

VII. Adjournment

**Jan moved, Mindy seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 4:45 pm.**

**Next meeting: Wednesday, October 7 at 4:00 pm**

These minutes submitted by Mindy Pobst

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