

April 11, 2012

Minutes of Valatie Free Library

Present: President Balon, Trustees: Benfield, Dawes, Fullerton, Griesemer, Hotaling, Schmit, Weber, Director Powhida. Excused: Trustee LaRowe. Guests: David Bienn, Lori Yarotsky, and Steve Sigler.

Meeting called to order at the new building site at 7:01PM.

A slide show was presented by David Bienn. The building is now ready for contractor bids. The meeting continued at the Church Street building.

Minutes were accepted as written on motion by Griesemer / Schmit, carried.

Treasurer's report was accepted on motion by Schmit / Fullerton, carried.

Director's Report:

On motion by Schmit, Weber, carried, Director Powhida will hire another library clerk as a Substitute. Our Director and Assistant Director are the administrators for the web page.

In May, a printed newsletter will go out to all Town residents with the summer program information.

Electronic newsletter will go out Monday, April 16th.

On Sunday April 15th, there will be a meet and greet for the new librarian at the KML.

Old Business:

By Laws tabled until next meeting, Trustee Griesemer will review them for legalities. Trustee Greisemer will talk with the Town about dropping the property tax penalty. On a motion by Schmit / Fullerton the taxes will be paid if the penalty is dropped, carried.

New Business:

Building Sub Committee: Trustee Schmit

A discretionary fund of \$500.00 has been set up for the period of April 11 - May 9, 2012 with the approval of two Board members on motion by Weber / Hotaling, carried.

Next meeting will have listing details from new real estate agents; will not continue to list with Caldwell Banker Associates.

Fundraising: Lori Yarotsky

Looking for funding for the following areas of our library: Children's Library, Tween Room, Adult Reading Area, Media Center, Meditation Garden and Administration / Circulation Area

Researching endowments, grants and foundations

Dot: The Town Park is reserved for the August 11, 2012 Gala. Will try to get a wine / beer permit for that one night.

Lori will send information on a Foundation Database for grants to her committee.

Meeting adjourned at 8:34PM on motion by Schmit / Fullerton, carried.

Next Board meeting is May 9, 2012 at 7PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Gretchen Dawes, Secretary