

Sandisfield Library Minutes

Date: September 30, 2021

Place: Sandisfield Library, following social distancing.

Time: 12:30

Present: Clare English, Kathie Burrows, and Mary Turek

Absent: Sadie O'Rourke and Terry Spohnholz

Minutes were read and accepted. Motion by Clare, 2nd by Kathie. All in favor.

Librarian Report:

Agreed to have Terry file a grant request from the cultural council to provide a cultural environment. ARIS report has been filed for grant applications.

Review of finances: We have our starting balance of \$6850 for the operating budget.

Anything not listed and legal to come before the commission: Sadie is now out of state and can no longer be the library director. Clare made a motion to appoint Terry as library director at the minimum wage. Mary seconded. All in favor.

George Riley called Clare about the vermin problem in the library. He is concerned about the environment and chemicals. After lengthy discussion, George felt a library cat would be better. After discussion, there were concerns for liability to patrons and it was felt to be cruel to the animal. Clare made a motion to continue with the current pest control method. Mary seconded and all were in favor.

We had a library aide who is no longer available at the time. Kathie agreed to cover Terry when Terry is not available.

Will be changing the Thursday hours from 5 to 7 pm to 7 to 9 due to lack of patrons effective Sept. 16th. Kathy made a motion to accept the change and Clare seconded. All in favor.

Mary shared the email from the webmaster asking about any changes to the web. Terry is already doing this and will continue.

Next meeting will be October 25, 2021 at 12:30.

Adjourned at 1:05.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary L Turek