Sandisfield Library Minutes

Date: September 24, 2018

Place: Sandisfield Library

Time: 12:30

Present: Clare English, Terry Spohnholz, Kathie Burrows and Mary Turek

Absent: Sadie O'Rourke

Minutes of July 30, 2018 were accepted. Motion made by Clare and seconded by Kathie. All in favor.

Discussed the 2020 budget request from the town. Clare reminded Fred that we do not know how much or when we get our grant from the state. Last year we received our award letter in January. We will be doing a 2% raise in budget. Terry will be a sub-professional librarian in July of next year.

We were able to make room in the library by disposing old furniture.

Librarian report: See attached.

State grants and cultural council: Will be filing for both.

Reorganizing space in the library: Library is cramped. Weeding out of books is recommended every 5 years. There is a weeding report on the computer that prints out books that have not been checked out

New business: Discussed need for more bookcases and possible locations in the room. Discussed possible ways to fund for the bookcases.

Next meeting secheduled for November 26, 2018 at 12:30.

Adjourned at 1:20 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary L Turek

Librarian's Report

September 24, 2018

The Summer reading program "Reading is a Superpower!" was a success we increased participation to over 20 young readers this year. The End of Summer celebration party for our participants was fun for all with ice cream bars and a piñata.

CHP has resumed Monday morning activities with Nina Carr and we have story time every Monday at 10:30. This program has helped to introduce parents to our library and increases patronage.

Kids Arts and Crafts also has resumed after a summer hiatus. Lynn Rubenstein had the children work with clay last Saturday. On October the $15^{\rm th}$ she will be doing something Halloweenish. Lynn usually has a monthly themed arts and crafts for the children. The kids and parents enjoy the activities.

The Library page on the web has been updated. I will be updating at the beginning of each month – especially the new books list and the events list.

Reports

Aris Report was completed in a timely fashion.

The Financial Report for State Aid will be completed in the next day or two. It is due On October 5th.

Local Cultural Council Grant – This submission will be done in the next few weeks. Application is due on October 15th. Hoping to receive \$500 for passes and children's books.