

AMAGANSETT FREE LIBRARY
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
Approved Minutes of May 27, 2022

Present: Marc Donnenfeld (President), Calandra Sheen (Vice President), Dan Mongan (Treasurer), Shari Thompson (Secretary), Meredith Cairns, Sadie Stephenson, Lynne Weinlandt, Arielle Hessler (Director). The meeting took place in the library's Community Room and was called to order by President Marc Donnenfeld at 9:03 am.

I. Approval of Agenda. Approved without objection.

II. Approval of Minutes from April 29, 2022 Regular Meeting, incorporating edits by Director Arielle Hessler. Approved without objection.

III. Executive Session (if necessary). There was no need for an Executive Session.

IV. Financial Report. Treasurer Dan Mongan reported that "we're on track," and Director Arielle Hessler noted that our audit for 2021 will be on the agenda at next month's board meeting and that board members will be sent a copy in advance, for review.

V. President's Report. President Marc Donnenfeld noted that with Memorial Day weekend upon us, "we are at the beginning of our busiest time---and we're prepared and are ready to go."

VI. Director's Report. Director Arielle Hessler reviewed her report (see attached). She especially called the board's attention to slight changes in the library's Patron Behavior and Designated Spaces policies (to be voted on in this meeting) and to the vote, on May 17th, approving the library's 2023 budget. Arielle noted that in response to requests from patrons, five desktop computers have been ordered and will go onto new tables lining the back windows of our second-floor nonfiction section, where there will also be a printer. The second-floor enclosed computer space will become a work/study area.

Arielle further noted that WIFI printing will be available from patrons' personal devices to the printer behind the circulation desk and that patrons can pay for their printing directly to staff. Ten pages (in black-and-white or color) will be free, after which the cost will be 10 cents per page, and students doing schoolwork will be allowed unlimited printing. The database Lynda, LinkedIn Learning is now available on the library's website, Prenda/Fiero Code Club for children and teens will be added to our website, and again in response to requests from patrons, access to *Consumer Reports* will be added to our website. These new digital services are part of a coordinated order with the Suffolk County Library System.

The library will need another staff person during the summer months; a part-time page or clerk will be hired.

Finally, Arielle reported that our Arbor Day celebration, on April 29th, was very successful, with 11 teen volunteers helping out, and that the response of the community to our Seed Catalog has been highly enthusiastic and our seeds have been replenished. Our children's librarian, Evan

Harris, and our new reference librarian, Kimberly Parry, are working together on summer reading programs for children, teens, and adults.

VII. Secretary's Report. Secretary Shari Thompson noted that the Amagansett Village Improvement Society, on whose board she serves, is looking forward to partnering with the library on Saturday, July 16th, which the Town Board will proclaim to be AVIS Day, in celebration of AVIS's centennial. Hugh King, the historian and "Town Crier," will give a talk and slide show at our library at 6:00, and photos from AVIS's "Capture Amagansett" photo contest will be on display.

VIII. Trustee Reports. Dan Mongan noted that Spencer Schneider, the author of *Manhattan Cult Story: My Unbelievable True Story of Sex, Crimes, Chaos, and Survival*, will speak at our library. His book is coming out in July.

IX. Committee Reports

A. Friends. It was agreed that a meeting of the Friends should be arranged to discuss future projects, now that the garden is being planted and has been furnished with tables and chairs, and needs only to be maintained.

B. Gala. Committee members Marc Donnenfeld, Dan Mongan, and Sadie Stephenson envision a party at the library in the early evening (6:00 to 8:00) during the third week of August. The date of Thursday, August 18th, was set, and in the discussion that followed, suggestions for the party were made. The committee will meet and consider them, and planning for the party will continue at our next board meeting.

X. Old Business.

A. Motion to approve the Patron Behavior Policy, with slight revisions from the previous draft. Approved without objection.

B. Motion to approve the Designated Spaces Policy, also with slight revisions. Approved without objection.

XI. New Business

A. 2023 Budget. Resolution that the Amagansett Free Library Board of Trustees approves the results of the May 17, 2022 vote for the 2023 budget: 86 Yes, 8 No. Approved without objection.

B. Motion to approve the capital expenditure of five new all-in-one computers for the adult computer area for a total cost of \$3,907.40. Approved without objection.

C. Motion to approve the capital expenditure for seven tables for the upstairs adult computer and reading area for a total cost of \$2,477.76. Approved without objection.

D. Reviewed Policy on Requests for Reconsideration of Library Materials.

XII. Approval of Regular Bills for May. Approved without objection.

XIII. Approval of the Personnel Report. Approved without objection.

XIV. Correspondence. None.

XV. Period for Public Expression. No one from the public was present.

XVI. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 am.

Next Meeting Date: Friday, June 24, 2022, at 9:00 am.