

Library Board Meeting 10/19/2020

1. Call to order (7:02 p.m.)
2. Attendees: Marty, Stacey, Bob, Judy, Judy, Manjula, Steve, and Anne.
3. Judy moved to approve minutes, Steve seconds.
4. Statistics: Anne was surprised that Freegal numbers were less than what they were; people are enjoying Kanopy.
5. Friends report: Judy reiterated that there are no sales scheduled. She said Melissa stated that membership renewals will be coming up. There may be some lawn signs available; Anne is going to check in the basement of the library.
6. Librarian's report:

The Adult Art Workshop took place on 10/14; curbside pick-up worked very well for the project and another workshop is scheduled for November 11, 2020. Steve showed us the project his wife made and it was very nice.

On October 21 at 7 p.m., there will be a presentation by local author Steve Katz whose book is entitled *To Save the Nation*.

The book discussion groups are continuing on October 26 and November 23, via zoom.

The Film Discussion group will meet October 28; the fee for the moderator is being paid by the Friends; it is not clear how the extra charges are being covered.

6. Old Business

The 2021 calendar was presented.

The front steps are in their third week of construction; there is a bin and a table under a tent in the back of the library so patrons can drop off and pick up their materials.

There are no immediate plans to reopen the library; the one local library that is open is the Oak Park Library (temporary closed due to a broken furnace). Anne meets weekly with other south Oakland County librarians and so far none are planning to open to the public. The employees who are currently working are Anne, Susie, Jesse, Joanne and the new children's librarian Tonja. The gallery remains closed at this time.

7. New Business

Tonja Brice has started as the new children's assistant; she is continuing the

the programming set up by Ms. Joyce and she will be creating her schedule for the January newsletter. Manjula brought up the controversy surrounding the hiring of Ms. Tonja; Anne explained the hiring policy of the City (which has now changed) and she will attend our next Board meeting so we can meet her. She is handling book bundles for kids.

One of the programs slated for January instead of art will be zoom cooking classes.

8. Library Director and Board Comments:

Someone has applied for the teen position; she has requested an application from the City offices.

Bob's wife retired and Stacey has moved after 52 years in her home!

9. The next meeting is November 16, 2020.

10. Meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.