Bethany Library Association (BLA) Clark Memorial Library (CML) -- Library Board Meeting Tuesday, June 22, 2021

ATTENDANCE:

Gayle Bogel (Library Director)

Betsy Thornquist (President)

Jenny Turner (Vice President)

Susan Hartnett

Mark Hawes

Helen Hawes

Sheila Lane (Treasurer)

John Pellicano

Calico Harington (Secretary)

Meghan Gallagher

Serena Guerrette (potential board member)

Nancy Seaton (potential board member)

ABSENT: None

Meeting was called to order at 7:09 pm by Betsy Thornquist, President

Action Item 1: Board approval for filtering (Gayle)

CEN (Connecticut Education Network) provides a discount if CIPA (Children's Internet Protection Act) internet filtering is used. This should not really have a big impact on patrons. Patrons over 18 can request that it be turned off for individual sessions. (Gayle would need to approve each request.) Gayle will hold a public meeting in advance to share details with any interested members of the public.

Meghan moved to approve CIPA filtering, Mark seconded the motion. All voted in favor, none opposed; none abstained.

Action Item 2: Policy approval Donations Policy

The Board reviewed the proposed Donations policy and a small revision was suggested.

Susan moved to approve the donations policy as amended, Meghan seconded the motion. All voted in favor, none opposed; none abstained.

Internet and Technology Policy

The Board reviewed the proposed Internet and Technology policy.

Jenny moved to approve the Internet and Technology policy, Meghan seconded the motion. All voted in favor, none opposed; none abstained.

Action Item 3: Reschedule of Donor event to September (Betsy)

The Development Committee has decided to move the donor event from July to September, for a few reasons. There is the potential for the weather to be very hot in July, the garden will not quite be complete, and there is no room to move the event inside the building in case of inclement weather. The new date will be Sunday, September 25, with a rain date of Monday, September 26.

Executive Session to Discuss New Board Member Applications

Jenny moved to go into executive session to discuss the applications of two potential new board members--Serena Guerrette and Nancy Seaton. Susan seconded the motion. All voted in favor of going into executive session, none were opposed; none abstained.

At the conclusion of the executive session all voted in favor of welcoming Serena and Nancy to the Board.

Committee Updates

- Governance none
- Development none
- Building & Grounds: Trees have not been trimmed so the library needs to do so. The
 sidewalk by the front door is in very poor condition. Craig Barletta is coming at 5:30 on June
 23 to look at it. A painter will be sending John quotes to paint various parts of the facility.
 The Building & Grounds committee will meet immediately after this board meeting to
 discuss and prioritize the above.

Consent Agenda:

- 1. May minutes
- 2. Director's Report
- 3. Financials

Sheila moved to accept the consent agenda, Meghan seconded the motion. All voted in favor, none opposed; none abstained.

New Business:

- John took down the Annual Drive donation thermometer today.
- The next regular board meeting is scheduled for 7:00 pm on 07/27/21.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:16 pm. Meghan moved to adjourn the meeting. Mark seconded the motion. All in favor; none opposed; none abstained.

Meeting minutes were prepared by Calico Harington