

**Meeting of Board of Trustees
Medfield Memorial Public Library
February 7, 2023**

Attendees:

Kiersten Cole, Jennifer Cronin, Lauren Feeney, Jessica Razza, Phil Tuths, Richard White and Library Director Pam Gardner. P. Tuths, called the meeting to order at 5:04. P. Tuths made a motion to approve the January 10, 2023 minutes. L. Feeney second. Minutes were unanimously approved.

Friends of the Library – Memberships are a bit behind from this time last year. Discussion about promoting tote bags as gifts for teachers at the end of the year and for the holidays. The bookstore is doing very well. Creative writing awards submissions are due the second weekend in March. Medfield Day ideas, crafts, sign boards, drawings and promoting the library as the place to be were discussed. Next meeting March 8.

Staff Reports – Library of things: There will be some exciting new items in the near future. February displays are up and look great. The Access Services staff is currently working on suggestions for the space in the New Materials/DVD area of the library.

Adults: Zoom Embroidery is well attended with over 140 views on YouTube. Documentary Café has been well attended. Working on a new program to replace the film discussion group. The photography class went well. There will be a sleep meditation workshop on March 2. Joining in on a multi-library Zoom presentation called “America Divided: Can We Live With One Another” on March 14. There will be a photography-based talk about the Boston Marathon on March 30. Continuing to teach a class once a month at the COA. Art In Bloom with the Medfield Garden Club and the Medfield High School Art Students is scheduled for March 23-26.

Children’s: In January there were 25 programs with 702 participants. Thursday Storytimes have exploded in attendance so a Friday Storytime will be added in March. Lego Club and Science Surprise and Drop-In Sensory Play have great attendance. Tech Take-Apart was also successful. Starting a deep weed on DVDs. New things were purchased for the toy collection.

Teen: 14 teen volunteers for a total of 39.5 hours for January. Teen Advisory Board is planning and making decorations for the Anti-Valentine’s Day Party on February 10. The Fairy Walk on April 29 will be the next community project. There were seven programs with 78 participants in January. Highly Selective Colleges webinar and Dungeons & Dragons have good participation. Working with the schools to discuss how to partner on Café Read-a-Latte week and Design Your Learning Day. Summer reading preparation will begin in March.

Director’s Report – Budget is right on track. Working on a timeline for other building projects, furniture and equipment orders. Junk removal company will be coming within the next two weeks. Working with Medfield Together to host Black History Month Knowledge Quest. L. Feeney made a motion to purchase four new self-checkout monitors from State Aid Funds. Second J. Cronin. Motion unanimously approved. L. Feeney made a motion to purchase a new tablet for Access Services. Second P. Tuths. Motion unanimously approved.

Motion to adjourn at 6:40 p.m. P. Tuths Second J. Cronin

Next meeting: 5:30 p.m. on March 14, 2023