

Bancroft Public Library
Board of Trustees – Minutes of the October 2, 2018 Regular Meeting

Present were Ed Donoghue, Kim Erbe, Rebecca Brown, Siri Allison, and Alesa Wilson. Also present was Library Director Susan Getty, Town liaison Marcus Blanck, Town Supervisor Sue Clary, and members of the public.

Minutes: Siri Allison made a motion, Alesa Wilson seconded, to approve the September 4, regular meeting minutes, as amended. All were in favor and the motion was carried.

Public Comment:

Correspondence: A letter was received notifying the Library that The Phantom Laboratory employees chose to donate \$627 this year. A note of thanks will be sent.

President Ed Donoghue sent a reminder letter to Karen MacGregor at Salem Central for the \$21019.00 collected for the Library.

Treasurer/Finance Officer's Report: Vouchers from the Library Fund Nos.: 74 through 81 and totaling \$1767.00 were audited and ordered paid. Alesa Wilson made a motion, Siri Allison seconded, to accept the Financial Statements as presented. All were in favor and the motion was carried.

Library Director's Report: See attached, including monthly statistics.

Committee reports:

Old Business: Regarding the status of the Charter Application, there is still no word. Susan will reach out for an updated status.

Regarding the State Aid for Library Construction Grant Application, it was hand delivered to SALS on August 31, and electronically submitted through the Construction Grant portal to SALS on September 1.

Regarding engaging a trust attorney, to review all the trust paperwork and render an opinion on who controls the space inside the building, and any other questions from the Library Board, Kim Erbe made a motion, Alesa Wilson seconded, to approve the expenditure of \$275 for a one-hour consultation with Dennis J. O'Connor of McPhillips FitzGerald and Cullum, and additional hours, incrementally, as Kim Erbe shall determine advisable for a complete review and report from Mr. O'Connor, with a cap of \$1000.00. All were in favor and the motion was carried.

New Business: Regarding compiling a list of Library contents for insurance purposes, Rebecca Brown agreed to compile as much as possible for the budget workshop on Wednesday, October 3.

Regarding the possibility of overriding the tax cap in 2019, and considering the discussion of increasing open hours and programs at the Library in the near future, Rebecca Brown made a motion, Alesa Wilson seconded, to adopt a resolution allowing for the override of the tax cap, in order to give leeway in anticipation of an increase on the School Ballot that exceeds the limit established by the Comptroller's office. All were in favor and the motion was carried.

Remember, the Incunabula Bible in Latin will be auctioned off on Tuesday, October 16, as Lot 81. The auction begins at 1:30.

The next meeting was set for Tuesday, November 6, 2018 at 6:30 PM.

The meeting was adjourned.