

Fair Haven Free Library
Monthly Board Meeting
Wednesday, August 16, 2023

Present: Carol Scott, Judith Gevry, Christine Sheldon, Ron Stack, Cecelia Hunt

Judy called the meeting to order at 7:01PM.

Minutes of the July meeting were distributed and reviewed. Chris moved to accept the minutes of the July 19, 2023, minutes as written with one minor change. Thom Bruso reported on the quote for oil from Sam's and not Judy. Revised minutes will be sent to Carl to have the corrected minutes posted.

Chris distributed the Treasurer's Report. Current balances as of July 31, 2023, are as follows:

Three CDs: \$26,427.27; \$4,295.24; \$30,000(Memorial Gifts), and \$9,734.45

Checking Account: \$53,894.44

Ron moved to accept the treasurer's report as given. Ceil seconded. Motion carried.

Librarian's Report

- The library has been an extremely busy place and circulation is up quite a bit.
- Seven Book Club members met to discuss Lessons in Chemistry on July 10th in the library.
- Automation project continues. Our totals at the end of July were 1312 patrons and 16,979 books entered in the system. In July we added 10 patrons. We also added 45 items to the system and discarded 0.
- Our take and make project for August was a boat. We handed out 48 to our patrons. Ceil commented that projects like this that have intergenerational support are great. The Story Walk also involves families in the activity.
- The Friends held a book sale on Saturday August 12th. The sale made \$87.
- Friends held angel work nights on Wednesday August 2nd (3 people), Thursday August 3rd (1 person) and Wednesday August 9th (3 people)
- Story time was very successful this summer. On Tuesday July 25th there were 25 children and 10 adults.
- Southern Vermont History Museum program on August 1st was attended by 24 children and 17 adults. Since we had the program, the museum has offered us free family passes to their facility. A portion of this event was grant funded.
- Our display of Vox books and Wonderbooks has become very popular. We are very glad that we started this collection.
- Royal Glass has cancelled and rescheduled twice this month. They now say they will be here on Friday August 25th to do a fire inspection.

- Rutland County Audubon donated a backpack fitted with binoculars, a field guide, and a journal for patrons to borrow to go birding.
- Updates: J and R Sprinkler will be here August 30, 2023 to begin work with sprinkler system.
- Carol is hosting a short tour of the library on Thursday, August 17th as part of the FHUHS Class of 1971.
- Carol reported on a patron issue involving a policy infraction. Patron spent many hours on the computer and had to be asked many times to leave so others could use the machine.
- Next meeting will be September 20, 2023

Respectfully submitted,

Ceil Hunt