

# Wilbraham Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting - January 17, 2023

**In attendance:** Linda Dagradi, Brenna Levitin, Christine Goonan, Marjorie Williams, Cheryl Wesolowski, Karen Grycel, Mary Bell *ex officio*

Meeting called to order at 5:31 by Linda Dagradi. Meeting held in the Brooks Room in the library. Meeting recorded by Wilbraham Public Access.

## Minutes

Christine motions to accept minutes as recorded. Marjorie seconds. **Motion passes unanimously.**

## Chair's Report

- Linda will ask Mary and Karen to make all future Board meetings hybrid (online streaming and in person at the library)
- Select Board is considering Code of Conduct for elected and appointed officials; they didn't give any additional information or details
- Linda will ask for details and ask that they schedule some type of open meeting for feedback
- Karen has had conversations with John Broderick's daughter and will regroup with Karen B when Karen B comes back from vacation
- Linda mentions a possible idea: naming the StoryWalk the John Broderick StoryWalk
- Linda will check with town administrator whether there are rules about naming spaces

## Board Items

### Bylaws

- Final version presented
- Will be voted on next month

### Library Director Evaluation Process

Marjorie motions to accept the Library Director Evaluation Process. Christine seconds. **Motion passes unanimously.**

## Library Director's Report

## **Events**

- Great Decisions starts Feb 1 in-person
  - 17 registrants
- Story Time has started with Rachel S
- Communication & Cooking program sponsored by Pathways for Parents
- Teens Who Code returned
- Cheryl asks about the price of the book for Great Decisions
- Mary isn't sure, last she checked it was about \$30 but there's a copy available in the library
- Upcoming teen programs include Stuffed Animal Sleepover
- Upcoming virtual events in conjunction with Rockport Library:
  - Travels in Ireland in March
  - Stories of the Civil War in April
- Marjorie asks how the Winter Reading program is going
- Mary will look into numbers and let us know

## **Library of Things agreement form**

- Mary shares draft
- Based on Worcester Public Library's policies

## **Massachusetts Libraries Board of Library Commissioners**

- Linda asks if we would like someone to talk about the budget priorities
- Cheryl suggests we invite other local libraries Board of Trustees
- Mary will pass the suggestion to Karen B
- Request from the MBLC to get them to talk to our region
- Open to the public
- Mary also suggests that we talk to the Western Mass Library Advocates group
- Linda recommends that we should do the event entirely virtually; several people agree

## **Friends of the Library Report**

- Still waiting to hear from Aurora about the Community Organization Fair
- Tabled 50/50 raffle because there are many other organizations doing their own 50/50 raffles
- Dine-out on Thursday April 27th at UNOs all day long— need a coupon, Karen G will share more info as she gets it
- Preparing for the textile drive in the spring (likely May)
- Discussing Plant Sale for the fall

## **Building/Renovations**

### **Brooks Room project**

- No update yet
- Karen B will check with Sam after his capital meeting

## **LIFT**

- No updates

## **Miscellaneous/unforeseen events**

- Linda asks us to think about whether we want to sponsor a candidate's night and discuss next month
- Christine talked to Karen B about the security of the parking lot with the construction next door
- Assurances from the town about the library's parking lot and making sure it's not used for commercial businesses
- Someone asks if we ever bought Toi the book we discussed buying
- No one has the name of the book so we need to find that

Brenna motions to adjourn. Christine seconds. Motion passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned 7:35pm.

Next meeting is **Tuesday, February 21, 2023 at 5:30pm.**