

# DURHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

August 10, 2021

7:30 P.M.

Meeting called to order – 7:32 P.M.

Present: Robert Booz, Jane Eriksen, Luanne Hanley, Eric Infeld, Lynn Johnson, Maya Liss, Anne Mueller, David Turley. Also attending Christine Michaud, Library Director

- I. Public Comments/Communications – Library Director reported there have been some comments from public on mask policy – some have been positive and some have been negative
- II. Minutes – July 13, 2021 - **motion made by Bob Booz seconded by David Turley to approve the minutes with changes** - approved unanimously with Anne abstaining
- III. Financial Reports
  - A. Board Managed Funds – little activity - regular expenditures in prior month
  - A. Library Operational Funds – few changes seen on fiscal year end budget – phone bill slightly over, some posting from Town was slow. Rest of budget in line with expectations
- IV. Library Director’s Reports
  - A. The Director interviewed multiple candidates for open Head of Youth Services position. Position offered and accepted by Alex Klaus who is returning after having a position at another library. Some other activity with staff maternity leave and need to hire a replacement page who is now an assistant town clerk. There were some issues with HVAC that have been corrected – town is paying the cost  
  
Hot spots and tablets - Director updated regarding federal grant – grant requires that library is CIPA (children’s internet protection act) compliant – library is not compliant at this time and much work to get there so not applying for this grant - Library director will look for us to become CIPA compliant at later date.  
Eversource is looking to provide community grants – this would cover 2 years for hot spots and for tablets. Grant has been submitted  
  
Summer programs going well overall
  - B. Other - none discussed
- V. Committee Reports

- A. Library Renewal – as of this meeting, substantially near target amount for matching funds. Committee recommends that we can communicate that the matching amount has been met. This will need certification from the state, and then will go to bond commission. Director sending letter to state on letterhead requesting referral. **Motion made by Bob Booz seconded by Lynn Johnson to certify the matching funds have been reached and directing the Library Director to send a letter stating that to the state library.** Passed Unanimously. Fundraising should continue as we do need to rebid posit approval by blond commission
  - B. PALS – no new information
- VI. Old Business
- A. **Fair parking** – board discussed prior use of library parking lot during the fair. **Motion made by Jane Eriksen seconded by Lynn Johnson to communicate in writing concerns on use of parking lot and a possibly mutually beneficial solution.** Passed unanimously, and Bob will send to President of fair Association and Head of Safety
  - B. New Business – None
- VII. General Discussion – general discussion for good and welfare of Board members.

Meeting adjoined at 8:33 PM.

This meeting was held using videoconference and recorded to comply with public meeting requirements. Recording is available  
at:[https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/BIXGVSUSN0yCousMPAqH5C5x5e5CmvqTMd\\_TGd3yIjLEW2goRv7n0o1M68Bcmmj0.Uh1D71ZVBxFNMRBZ](https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/BIXGVSUSN0yCousMPAqH5C5x5e5CmvqTMd_TGd3yIjLEW2goRv7n0o1M68Bcmmj0.Uh1D71ZVBxFNMRBZ) Passcode: Bs29cJ?T

Respectfully submitted.

Eric J. Infeld

Recording Secretary