

West Hartford Library Meeting Minutes

8/24/2021

4:45 PM

Present: Sandie Cary, Emily Clough, Doug Eisler, Veronica Golden, Gerda Gofberg, Sadie Woods, Barbara Gherardi

The meeting was called to order at 4:49 PM.

Pledge of Alligiance

Secretary's Report

Upon motion duly made and seconded, the minutes of the July 2021 meeting were approved without correction.

Treasurer's Report

A report for fiscal year 2021/2022 is not yet available. Emily has implemented the use of a spread sheet to track library expenses.

Director's Report

The report of increased Covid-19 cases in the community has prompted the library to request all patrons return to wearing masks. Book Club and Craft Group are being continued at the library. Cicalation last month was 984; interlibrary loans 157. HCC free lunch program ended 8/14. The budget year came to a close in June with essentially all monies being spent. Next year's budget was level funded. The Friends of the West Hartford Library continue to provide valuable and vital support.

The library will host the movie "Moana" on Friday outside on the library lawn. Sponsors include the library, HCC and the town. The community garden is beginning to provide vegetables which are offered to patrons. Sandie has a scheduled vacation in Spetember. Volunteers have been scheduled to staff the library during that time.

Old Business

Doug Eisler has assumed Treasurer responsibilities. Gerda Gofberg has resigned from the Board of Trustees, effective with the conclusion of this meeting.

New Business

A motion, first introduced at the July meeting, to amend the by-laws (Sec 4 Art C) to omit the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance from all future meetings, was discussed. Following discussion the motion was defeated by a vote of 3-2 with 1 abstaining.

A new member is needed for the board.

The next meeting will be Tuesday 9/21, at 4:45PM.

The meeting adjourned at 6:14 PM.

Sadie Woods

Board of Trustees Secretary