

Lyme Public Library

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

April 28, 2021

Present via Zoom virtual meeting: Jack Sulger (Chairman), Judy Ulrich (Vice Chair), Holly Rubino (Secretary), Mary Stone, Mike James, Jerry Ehlen, Diane Brown, Diana Fiske, Emily Hildner; Theresa Conley (Library Director); Jacqueline Jaffe (Foundation); Deb Giaconia (Friends), Jo-Ann Shettles (Friends)

1. Call to order – Jack Sulger called the meeting to order at 4:33 pm.

2. Approval of prior meeting minutes – The minutes from the March 31, 2021 meeting were approved as written.

3. Librarian's Update – Theresa reported that the library will be going back to pre-Covid hours next week. This has been relayed to the public via social media, email blast, and on the website. The new staff member has started and she will work Tuesday afternoons and evenings, and Thursday mornings. A member of the Hamburg Cove Yacht Club offered to clean the carpets at no charge as a thank you for being allowed to use the community room. The meeting rooms are available at reduced capacity, but the coffee corner will still be off-limits.

4. Friends Update – Deb reported that there were 21 attendees for the Plum Island program, 13 for Cybercrime, and 40 for Hidden History. The book sale will be held in September rather than June this year.

5. Lyme Public Library Foundation – Jacqueline reported that the Ivoryton Playhouse will have shows this year, so the Foundation will look into planning a fundraising event with the theater again.

6. Strategic Plan Committee Progress Reports

I. Community Center – no update

II. Programs & Services – no update

III. Technology – The web designer is close to having the demo site ready for Theresa's review.

IV. Relationships with Library-related Organizations – no update

Under this agenda item, Mary and Judy announced that they will be revising the library bylaws, and they asked board members to send what they like, dislike, want to keep, and/or want to change on Articles IV-VII.

7. Executive Session – The Board was in Executive Session from 5:30 to 5:44 for personnel and governance reasons.

8. Next meeting – May 26, 2021 at 4:30 pm.

9. Motion to Adjourn – The meeting was adjourned at 5:49 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Holly Rubino, Secretary