Phoenicia Library Board of Trustees Minutes from Library Board Meeting on Jan. 18, 2024

Minutes prepared by Holly George-Warren

Present: Bernard Handzel, Holly George-Warren, Sandy Hyun, Becca Frank, Bethia Waterman Director Liz Potter

Motion to approve agenda by Bethia, seconded by Bernie; all in favor.

Motion to approve the Dec. minutes by Bernie, seconded by Sandy. All in favor.

ACTION ITEMS:

Bethia made a motion to approve the 2024 holiday dates as written on the agenda, and that we approve HV1 as the official paper of choice until otherwise amended; Becca 2nd; all in favor. Bethia made a motion to approve the 2024 board meeting schedule as being on the third Thursday of the month at 6 pm; Bernie 2nded; all in favor.

Director's Report:

Our annual appeal was very successful, and Michelle Hinchey approved \$10K for an ESL program conducted by the library.

Treasurer's Report:

Becca sent the treasurer's report; Bernie and Becca discussed our CDs.

New Business: Holly made a motion that the Board OK Bethia to apply for a CWC education grant for the fishing collection series, "Sporting Legends of the Catskills"; Sandy 2nd; all in favor.

Bethia & the Fishing Collection hope to give 2 presentations in the spring & fall. A townwide celebration for Earth Day on April 20 is in the works, so perhaps we can do a program for children; Liz will investigate with staff and report back. Ulster Savings sent the grant to cover the cost of the Balkan fest on Sept. 21, 2024.

Unfinished Business: Holly discussed prospects about a candidate for leading the Friends of the Library.

Committees: None.

Friends of the Library: None

Public Comment: None

Next meeting date: Feb. 15, 2024 at 6:00.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 pm on a motion by Bernie, seconded by Sandy; all in favor.