

Watkins Glen Library Board of Trustees

Minutes

October 9, 2019

The Watkins Gen Library Board of Trustees met at the library on October 9, 2019. Present were: Tracy Savard, Stacey Edwards, Stephen Salino, Duke Argetsinger, Anthony Fraboni and Maggie Field. Judith Phillips was absent.

Minutes were submitted with the board packets with minor changes to correct several dates. These minutes were approved as read. Motion made to accept by Tony, seconded by Duke. All were in favor.

Treasurer's reports were accepted for September. Motion made by Stacey to accept, seconded by Duke. All were in favor.

Director's Report is attached.

There has been no update on the tax bill correction—so do not know for sure how much this will affect the budget. Stephen purchased a new book cart. Auto Renewal was implemented--it was not advertised but staff is telling patrons about it (checkouts will auto renew one time). A decision by STLS to cut Freegal next year. The money will be applied to overdrive so there will be more audiobooks and digital books available.

We need to advertise Freegal will be ending in a year. Patrons are limited to downloading 3 titles per week so some streaming customers may want to start downloading some of their favorites.

We were saddened to hear that one of the reading dogs passed away. A new dog is being trained.

John Franzese is making progress on the work he has been hired for—LED lights and insulation in the conference room, gutters, trim painting.

My Place will be coming in 1-2 times per month.

A motion was made to accept Tracy Savard as new Library Director with employment to commence October 28, 2019. Motion by Tony, seconded by Stacey. All were in favor.

Tracy signed employment agreement, was administered Oath of Office and signed.

Meeting adjourned at 4:46pm.

Next meeting is scheduled for November 13, 2019 at 4:15pm.

Minutes submitted by Stacey Edwards, Secretary.