

**COLE LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES
AUGUST 24, 2021**

PRESENT: Cathy Boggs, Greg Cotton, Diana Corcoran, Tracey Louwagie, Grace Chamberlain

- I. The meeting was called to order by President Diana Corcoran at 8:34 a.m.
- II. The minutes were reviewed.
- III. REPORTS:
 - a. PRESIDENT: Diana asked for clarification on the difference between the Mount Vernon Public Library Facebook Page vs. Cole Library Facebook Page. "Mount Vernon Public Library" Facebook page is the source for Public Library information, "Cole Library" Facebook page is for the College.
 - b. PUBLIC LIBRARY DIRECTOR:
 - i. *New Board Members*: Jackie Wallace and Chris Bostwick will be submitting their application to the City Council for approval.
 - ii. *Summer Reading – Eulenspiegel*: 230 young people were involved in the Summer Reading Program! 41 people attended the Eulenspiegel Puppet Show in late July.
 - iii. *Grant Request Update*: The Grant has been written and accepted. \$3000 of the Grant will go towards Hoopla (in addition to the \$3000 the College is paying). The remaining \$2000 of the \$5000 grant will go to Bridges to pay for exclusive titles for our Library Patrons.
 - iv. *Fall Programs*: Due to the status of the Pandemic, only Book Groups are planned for the fall (Middle School, High School, Daytime and Evening). No Lego Club or Early Out Movies at this time, but this will be revisited on a month-by-month basis. Storytime will continue to be outside. Diana suggested doing an Outdoor Book Talk. The library is also partnering with the Cornell Chemistry Dept and offering free soil sample test kits.
 - v. *Vandalizing Browsing Room Books* - Cathy shared with the group that books are being written in and pages torn from books. To address the problem, bookmarks are going to be given to patrons, explaining the problem and requesting patrons to respect the Library materials.
 - vi. *Libby Training*: Cathy is planning on participating in a Libby Workshop. Grace will be updating the website with new instructions for using Libby.
 - c. LIBRARIAN:
 - i. Financial Report. We reviewed the financial report. Current available funds are \$9,308.52. Carry over is expected to be \$2643.95 plus another \$5-6,000.
- IV. MAJOR BUSINESS
 - a. Hoopla Update – Launching campaign to advertise Hoopla in September.
 - b. Community Survey – We reviewed the Survey. Diana suggested adding the Library Facebook Page (Mount Vernon Public Library). Grace showed the Online Version available. Both options look great!
 - c. Policy Update, Review Bylaws 3-4: Will be discussed at the September meeting.
 - d. Mask Mandate still in place. The Public Library will continue to follow what the College.

The next meeting is scheduled for September 21, 2021. The meeting was adjourned at 9:33 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Tracey Louwagie