

## Minutes of the ALP Library Trustee Meeting, October 15, 2024

Attendees: Melissa Olson, Brooke Hua, Ed Bacon, Laura Read, Jon Bolduc

Absent: Priscilla Fort, Pete Anderson, Susan West, Tom Stevens, Elana Kehoe

Brooke called the meeting to order at 3:19pm

Ed made a motion to accept the September 17, 2024 minutes. Jon seconded. The minutes were unanimously approved.

There was no Friends report this month.

Melissa's Director's Report focused on SLI program. She shared that Cressica is now in Orono, but still helping us from afar as it is still a part of her work there. Susan is working on most of the policies. Melissa pointed out that all the library's light fixtures are LED. The Energy Committee is paying for the heat pumps and the Friends are paying for the solar panels. Melissa said one of the most challenging sections is in relation to the outdoor spaces. Jennie King, a Friend, along with Sue Hatch came up with a site plan and it's already complete! They made room for a pollinator garden. The SLI form is 22% submitted.

Jon brought forth an idea for innovating community engagement. His wife Becky, the K-1 teacher at ICS, thought to connect her K-1 class with community members by being pen pals and then meeting at the library later in the coming year for book reading together and snacks. Ed suggested reaching out to the Sewing Circle. We all thought it was a great idea.

Laura's task was to come up with ideas for a new partnering with a nonprofit. Some nonprofits to work with would be the school, The Sewing Circle, and the Historical Society. Tracy Wuori, the ICS Librarian, wanted to partner with the library in collection sharing. Tracy is also interested in bringing high schoolers and middle schoolers to the library during school hours.

Ed is on monitoring water usage and there is no meter to monitor the well. He thought of ways to use less water with a down spout rain barrel system as well as updating the two toilets to newer technology like flushes that can be less or more usage.

Everyone was thrilled when Jon generated a QR code to allow students to link to the library catalog instantly. We discussed making small stickers to hand out the students to paste around campus to encourage using the library catalog.

Ed was enthusiastic about this season's book club selections which includes Zen and the Art of Motorcycle Maintenance, which will bridge 2 months of discussion time.

Our next meeting is set for November 19.

Our meeting was adjourned at 4:13 pm.

Signed,

Brooke Hua

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