



CANAJOHARIE LIBRARY

Legal name: Canajoharie Library & Art Gallery

Arkell Museum & Canajoharie Library

Meeting of the Trustees

April 10 2024

Attending: Debby Limoncelli, Charles Tallent, Nathan Fenno, Alan Brust, Eric White, Samantha Jacksland, Mark Davidson, Sheryl Neal, Maria Cancro, Suzan Friedlander, and Erin Salie

Call to order: 6:00pm

Motion made by Nathan seconded by Sheryl approved with all in favor.

Financial Report:

Partial reports only due to resignation of bookkeeper, Maria and Sue posted on multiple websites and social media as well as reaching out to several local businesses including NBT and FMCC.

There are several promising prospects. Chuck noted an increase in the investment account between February and April, quarterly investment distribution received on April 1st

Directors' Report:

Sue made a point to thank Chuck for funding the purchase of the eclipse viewing glasses; we gave away 600 pairs. Saturday Guest Star Tour event went very well, all attendees and donors were pleased. Arkellebration is in 2 weeks, live music, local Pastor Elisabeth Aurand will be hosting a community conversations event focusing on Beech-Nut memories.

NYSCA reports have been submitted, Maria is launching new program: resume support. Art of New York juried show deadline is today, Mary and Cory teamed up to take on this project. American Dreams TV is coming to film in the library and museum.

Buildings and Grounds: Arkell Hall Foundation is repairing the parking lot drains; this time with concrete to prevent them from collapsing in on themselves again. Alan and Michael determined we needed a new hot water pump for the HVAC system; cost of repair to the old one did not make financial sense. There were discussions for conducting a security review and insurance review. Sue is able to provide facility reports if needed for insurance and security audit.

Executive committee received and reviewed the audit draft and approved it to be sent to rest of the board.



Committee Assignments:

Minor adjustments to proposed committees; the whistleblowing and conflict of interest committees will have the same members (Nathan, Mark, and Erin) for efficiency as these committees meet on as needed basis. Debby requested to be removed from the conflict-of-interest committee in favor of joining the collections committee. Motion to approve collections committee made by Nathan and seconded by Debby approved with all in favor. Motion to approve all Committees Nathan motion made by Nathan and seconded by Mark with all in favor.

Board Development:

Mark and Eric suggested reaching out to local accounting firms to find a junior or senior member willing to fill the open treasurer position as a volunteer opportunity, board discussed local businesses who may be reached out to.

New Business:

Thank you cards were provided from the gift shop by Debbie to send to former board members

Schenectady County Public Library is withdrawing from joint automation, and have given their official notice to MVLS. There has been news coverage of the situation. Maria is being keeping apprised along with the other Library Directors. While much is yet to be sorted, she is not anticipating a change of services here. There is potential for E-content costs to change in 2026 but is as of yet unknown.

Adjournment:

A motion to adjourn was made by Nathan with all in favor. The meeting adjourned at 7:01pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Erin Salie, Secretary