**Franklin Village Public Library Board Meeting**

**September 9, 2021**

**Call to order -** 6:36

**Roll call -** Susan Stevens, Rick David, Janice Cherkasky, Teresa Natzke, Robin Rosen. Not present: Kim Greidanus, Susan Pepper

**Approve agenda -** Approved

**Approve minutes from August 12, 2021 -** Approved

**New Business:**

 **Discuss plan to implement recommendations from the survey -**

Teresa wants to focus on the post that many respondents made about wanting more materials (books). Susan Stevens reminded us that we agreed to advertise the fact that we can get anything from TLN. Teresa would like specifics on want people actually want when they say they want “more materials”. Teresa also wants to give participants in programs a survey to fill out right after a program in order to get feedback. Rick proposed that we pick a topic from the survey to discuss each month. Teresa responded that we have begun to work on several of the topics already. At this time she would like to focus on defining what people want, and the program surveys.

Teresa wants to ramp up the purchasing of popular, most requested books.

Next month we will focus on the program survey.

In November, we will talk about what people want in terms of more materials.

December’s topic will be communication with cardholders.

January’s topic will be evaluating the website. Rick is questioning if the website is optimized for the Mobile access.

Rick asked if there has been positive feedback on the changed hours and Teresa said there has been little comment on it.

**Octoberfest** - Susan asked if we have any responsibility for the Oktoberfest.

Teresa thanked the board members who helped with Round-up and the Block Party. We have been very successful with selling Oktoberfest tickets. Janice pointed out that we need more raffle items, both actual items and gift cards. We will solicit area businesses for more donations.

**Old Business:**

Change in hours - Susan wondered how the staff feels about this and Teresa said she has had no complaints.

Driveway completion - Teresa said this will be done very shortly, perhaps even this week.

**Treasurer report:** approve August monthly report. Penal fines and state aid was received and our first installment of the property tax millage was received in August..

The Board approved a request to have access to the Night Depository at Comerica Bank in order to facilitate making deposits in the future.

Rick is investigating our insurance coverage and valuation of our building and contents, the value of which has increased recently.

**Librarian**’**s report:**

**The Playgroup** started today. Most parents did not wear masks and a question was raised as to whether we have any current recommendations from the County Health Department in this regard. Do we follow recommendations for retail establishments or those affecting municipalities Teresa will continue to monitor the situation.

**Summer reading:** The numbers were lower than previous years, but much higher than last year. The Magician was the most popular program and the tie dyeing event was also very successful, (even in light of the power failure.)

**Staff Matters**: The board members have previously received letters from Rebecca informing us of her intent to resign from her post. Teresa and Florence are going to cover her tasks and hours and therefore, we do not expect to hire a replacement staffer. In light of the increased role and responsibility, Teresa requested that the Board review and approve certain compensation adjustments and the Board approved her recommendation.

We have a new page, Kate Goldstein, who recently started

We discussed promoting and giving more information about what MEL offers, and how to get audio books.

**On Line Services**:Janice suggested that Florence do some sessions on using online services such as Overdrive, Hoopla, etc. She has done them in the past and Teresa will ask her if she is interested in doing some more of these training/orientation sessions in the future.

**Public comments :** None

**Adjourn**: Meeting adjourned at 7:55

Next meeting October 14, 2021