

Henderson Free Library
Board of Trustees Meeting, May 25, 2021
Minutes

The May 25, 2021 meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Henderson Free Library was called to order at 1:00 p.m., by President Barbara Greene. Members present were Mrs. Greene, Ann Trowbridge, Leah Poulin, Missy Drake, Mary Bryant, Sara Treadwell, Nancy Tackley, and Gretchen Martelle, and Director Mary Bidwell.

Minutes of the April 20, 2021 meeting were emailed to members in advance of today's meeting. Nancy Tackley pointed out the correct spelling of Sue VanBenschoten's name and Gretchen made the correction and re-sent the first page of the April minutes to board members and the director. There being no further additions or corrections, Nancy moved, and Mary Bryant seconded the motion to accept the minutes as submitted. The motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer Ann Trowbridge presented her report for the month ending April 30, 2021. All bills are paid. Nancy moved, and Missy seconded the motion to accept the March report as submitted. The motion carried unanimously. A copy of the report is attached to these minutes. Good job, as always, Ann! Ann is fantastic and Leah is happy!

Director's Report: Mary recommends that we reopen on Tuesday, June 1, 2021, with regular hours and no appointments necessary. T-Th-Sa – 9-1, M-W – 10-5. Mary will create a sign asking those not fully vaccinated to wear a mask while they are in the library. She will announce the opening using the new, nifty sandwich board sign she won from NCLS. Good job, Mary!

Rachel Newell starts work on Tuesday, June 1, and Gabe Newell and Michael Pearson will start in early July.

Summer Reading Program: Mary wants to run the program for the month of July. This year's theme is Tails and Tales. We have some prizes in storage and will purchase others.

Mary used her last 2020 vacation day and 4 hours of sick leave for her cataract surgery. Mary will be away on June 12 for a wedding. Rachel will cover the library.

Mary is gathering books for a lobby book truck sale.

Committee Reports:

- **Decorating Committee:**
- **Program Committee:**
- **Budget/Personnel:**

Old Business:

- **Summer Reading Program** – See above. Mary will receive more information soon and will make more formal plans. The library will purchase gift certificates from local businesses for adult prizes, rather than asking our merchants to donate this year. Nancy doesn't get it! We will hold a Stuffed Animal Sleepover with the Golden Doodles that the children will stuff. No date has been set yet.
- **New Sign:** Nancy checked with Jerry about a three-way sign. Since it would be outside the present footprint, we would have to get a variance and permission from the Fire District. Discussion is ongoing.
- **Trustee Handbook update:** No action was taken at today's meeting.

New Business:

Following the adjournment of today's meeting, the board will discuss interview questions and create a list of things to ask our interviewees.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:10 p.m., after a motion made by Sara and seconded by Mary Bryant .

Our next regular meeting will be held on June 22, 2021, at 1:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Gretchen Martelle, Secretary
HFL Board of Trustees