



ALFRED BOX OF BOOKS

AGENDA BOARD MEETING

Monday, April 5, 2022

4:00 PM

1. Approval of Minutes: March 8th, 2022
2. Treasurer's Report: March 2022
3. Director's Report: March 2022
- 4 New Business:
 - Community Newsletter
 - Hot Dog Day
5. Other
6. Next meeting (Tuesday, May 10th at 4:00 pm)
7. Adjournment



March 2022 Director's Report

Meetings Attended:

- 3/1- ILS Meeting
- 3/2- DEI Programming Subcommittee
- 3/2- Advocacy Day (Assemblyman Giglio/ Senator Borrello)
- 3/7- Niche Academy set up meeting
- 3/8- Allegany County Directors Meeting
- 3/10- Teen Summer Learning Workshop
- 3/16- Cataloging Advisory Committee
- 3/16- Niche Academy Set Up Meeting
- 3/23- Met with Librarians from AU and Hinkle to prepare for ARP Grant projects
- 3/24- DEI Meeting
- 3/26- Accepted ACFW award
- 3/30- DAC Meeting

Activities/ FYI:

- Niche Academy is now live on our website! From March 16 (when it was live on website) to March 31- there have been 72 uses of materials available.
- Received free seed donation from Hudson Valley Seeds to replenish our seed library.
- Submitted charity application for Hot Dog Day. We were selected as a HDD Charity.
- Planning some collaborative programs with Almond 20th Century Club Library during AACCS spring break. Birds of Prey w/ Tanglewood Nature Center (4/13) and an Egg Hunt (4/15).
- Submitted grant application for Foundation for Southern Tier Libraries. Adding Large Print items to the collection.
- Made updates to Annual Report- counting Take and Make activities!
- Met with librarians from AU and Alfred State to begin planning projects with American Rescue Plan grant funds. These project will take place in early Fall.
- Completed DEI Newsletter on behalf of committee.
- Cost Share discussions- 2023-2025 Cost Share proposals are out from STLS. The DAC is to make recommendations. Digital Library Contributions for some libraries have increased significantly. Digital Library Contributions are calculated by circulation. Melanie volunteered to be part of an ad-hoc committee to review these contributions, trends in digital circulation, and other digital platforms to find an affordable and equitable solution for all libraries.
- All furniture is back at the library! We no longer have to pay for storage unit.

- Working on summer reading plans.
- Arts Council for Wyoming County Grant- Awarded \$1,100, \$200 more than we asked for.

Programming Report

- Take and Makes- 30
- 3/1- Star Talk w/ Mary Lu- 8A
- 3/1- True Crime Book Club- 8A
- STorytime from home- 0
- Kiss the Ground- 22A
- Berries for Birds- 1A
- STorytime from Home-0
- Star Talk w/ Mary Lu- 5A
- Storytime from home- 0
- Storytime from home-0
- Star Talk with Mary Lu-7A

Technology Report

Statistics-

	2022	2020
Circulation		
Holds Received	236	
Holds Filled	275	
Users Added		
Items Added		
eBooks	125	
Audiobooks	125	
ILL		
Magazines		

Goals for April

- Finalize Summer Reading Plans
- Annual Report to Community- finalize, printed and ready for early May mailing

Respectfully Submitted,
Melanie A. Miller



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Meeting Minutes Tuesday, April 5, 2022 via Zoom

Present: Allison Snyder, President; Lesley Brill, Treasurer; Debbie Stephens, Vice President; Megan Parry; Pat Crandall; Sam Frechette; Mechele Romanchock; Maria Rhone, Secretary

Also present: Melanie Miller, Library Director; Rima O'Connor, Technology Coordinator

Absent: Amy Powers

President Allison Snyder called the meeting to order at 4:00pm.

1. Approval of Minutes from March 8th, 2022: Pat moved to approve the March minutes and Megan seconded. The minutes were approved.
2. Treasurer's Report: March 2022: Allison moved to approve the March report and Debbie seconded. The report was approved. Les reported that all expenses looked normal with the exception of technology. It was clarified that technology looks high because of the money that is going towards Niche Academy. Les suggested that we make a payment to our building account soon.
3. Director's Report: March 2022
 - Melanie reported that Niche Academy is live on the website and has already had many patrons looking at it. More advertising will be coming soon.
 - Melanie is considering adding to digital collections.
 - All furniture is back in the library.
4. New Business:
 - Community Newsletter: Includes a reminder to vote and library statistics to share with the community. A suggestion was made to add a line about

donations to the library. It was also suggested that Melanie adds some information about the library expansion project and the possibility of a new and bigger space. If any community member is interested in serving the library as a potential board member, they can contact the library.

- Hot Dog Day: The Box of Books was chosen to participate in hot dog day this year.

5. The next meeting will be in person on Tuesday, May 10th @ 4:00 pm at the Parish House.

6. Allison adjourned the meeting at 4:29pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Maria Rhone, Secretary