

**Lydia Taft Pratt Library  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
July 26, 2023**

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Lyle Holiday at 5:00pm. Attending the meeting were Dave Schottland, Dena Marger, Phyllis Emery, and Jeanne Bristol.

Guests: None

**Additions to Agenda**

- Added staffing
- Website discussion moved to earlier in the meeting

**Approval of Last Month's Meeting Minutes**

The previous board meeting minutes were reviewed. A motion was made by Jeanne to approve the minutes, which was seconded by Dave, and the motion passed.

**Website Development**

- Dena has found a website developer and presented information to the board.
- Dave will take photos of the building and space for the website.
- Lyle made a motion to add \$1000 to the July warrant (from the Lydia's Friends fundraiser in May) to begin development of the website. Dave seconded the motion, and it passed.
- Dave made a motion to allow a trustee to sign the developer's contract once it's prepared, which was seconded by Lyle, and the motion passed.
- The \$250 annual fee will come out of the library technology line as an expense.

**Treasurer's Report**

**-Budget Report**

- The budget was presented and discussed.
- The budget has been slightly restructured for better clarity.

**-Warrant Approval**

- A motion was made by Lyle to approve this month's warrant, which was seconded by Jeanne, and the motion passed.

**Librarian's Report**

- The complete Librarian's Report can be found at the end of this document.

**Old Business**

**-Dummerston Community Center Board Report**

At the July 3 DCC board meeting, Jeanne told the DCC board about the library's summer reading program, storage cleanout, and the next book club meeting. She also informed them about moving our monthly meeting to the first Thursday of each month.

**-Lost Book Fee**

This item has been tabled for now.

**-Lease Update**

The new lease remains the same.

**-Reminder: Change of Meeting Date Starting In September**

Beginning in September the LTP Library Board will meet on the first Thursday of each month (versus the fourth) at 5:00pm.

**-Storage Clean-out**

Members of the LTP Library met on Thursday, July 20 to clean out the storage space.

**-Movie Night**

The next movie night will be held on Saturday, August 26 at 8:00. We will show Disney's *A Wrinkle In Time*.

**New Business**

No new business was discussed.

**Adjourn**

At 7:26pm Dave motioned to adjourn the meeting. Lyle seconded, and the motion passed.

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**LYDIA TAFT PRATT LIBRARY  
LIBRARIAN'S REPORT  
May 2023**

**Statistics for June 23 - July 25, 2023:**

- **Library Visits**

	<b>Attendance</b>	<b>Last month</b>
<b>Adult Visits</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>98</b>
<b>Children Visits</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>11</b>

<b>Total Visits:</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>109</b>
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- **Materials Circulation**

	<b>Books</b>	<b>Children's and YA</b>
LibraryWorld	182	64
LW Renewals	32	
ILL	14	
Audio/Ebooks (GMLC/OverDrive)	72	
<b>Total Circulation</b>	<b>300</b>	
<b>Tot Circ last month</b>	<b>222</b>	

<b>Overdrive Via Libby Usage Stats (last 30 days)</b>	<b>This Month</b>	<b>Last Month</b>
<b>Total Checkouts</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>58</b>
<b>Distinct Users</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Ebooks</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>AudioBooks</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>39</b>

**Programs**

<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Programs</u></b>	<b><u>Participation</u></b>
All month	New StoryWalk Posted on 7/20	5
	Event/Attraction Passes	1
6/24	Needlework club	6
6/25	Ginger Beer Workshop	9
6/26	Book Club: Midwives	6
7/6	SRP Event: Ed Popielarczyk	9 kids, 13 adults = 22
7/22	Needlework Club	5

Total participation		53
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### Narrative

- **Programs**

- The book club will be meeting again July 31. The book is *Remarkably Bright Creatures* by Shelby VanPelt. Next up: *Rebecca*, Daphne DuMaurier.
- The Summer Reading event was successful, and the performer was humorous. Meeting on the town common worked fine. It was very shady, even without a tent.
- A new StoryWalk was hung outside on Thurs, July 20. The story is *A Family is a Family is a Family* by Sara O'Leary. We have it through the month of August.
- Ginger beer presentation happened at the DCC on Sunday, June 25, 2:00pm. Cost to the library was \$40 for use of space. 9 people attended and seemed to enjoy the presentation.
- I have met with a web developer about creating a new site for the library. The site is expected to be live in mid-September.

Submitted respectfully,  
Dena Marger 7/25/23