

Lydia Taft Pratt Library
Board of Trustees
April 11, 2024
5:00 at the Library

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Lyle Holiday at 5:05 PM. Attending the meeting were Dena Marger, Jeanne Bristol, Linda Burns and Phyllis Emery and David Schottland

Additions to the Agenda

- Budget Review

Recognition of Visitors

Lydia's Friends Catherine O'Callaghan, Christy Jackson, Sam Bledsoe

Approval of Previous Minutes

Motion was to approve minutes was made by Dave and seconded by Linda, all approved and motion was passed

Treasurers Report

- a. Warrant Approval – A motion was made by Lyle to approve this month's warrant, which was seconded by Dave, all approved and the motion passed
- b. Review of the Budget showed some potential shortfalls

Librarian's Report

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

Old Business

- a. Dummerston Center Board Report – report given by Linda
- b. Lydia's Friends Update – report given by Catherine
 - a. The date of the Geranium Fundraiser is May 18, from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm and will be held in honor of Lisa Blake which will include
 - i. Sale Of Geraniums
 - ii. Silent Auction
 - iii. Book Sales
- c. Lydia's Friends is working to incorporate as a non-profit

- d. Lydia's Friends is working on a draft of a memorandum of understanding between the Library and Lydia's Friends

New Business

- Discussed possibilities for funding for renting Children's Library Space
- A Library Trustee will attend future Selectboard Meetings as a representative of the Library

Adjournment

At 6:25 pm, Dave made a motion to adjourn, which was seconded by Phyllis and the meeting concluded

LYDIA TAFT PRATT LIBRARY
LIBRARIAN'S REPORT
March Report

Statistics for Feb 2 - Mar 7 , 2024:

- **Library Visits**

	Attendance	Last month
Adult Visits	106	91
Children Visits	10	12
Total Visits:	116	103

- **Materials Circulation**

	Books	Children's and YA
LibraryWorld	125	36
LW Renewals	20	
ILL borrowed	15	
ILL Lent	6	
Audio/Ebooks (GMLC/OverDrive)	83	
Total Circulation	249	
Tot Circ last month	237	

Overdrive Via	This Month	Last Month

Libby Usage Stats		
Total Checkouts	83	67
Distinct Users	17	13
Ebooks	32	22
AudioBooks	51	45

Programs

<u>Date</u>	<u>Program</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
3/25	Fiction Book Club (<i>My Name is Lucy Barton</i>)	9
3/12	Cook Book Club	6

Narrative

- The cookbook program is going well. We met and ate in the library. Not ideal, and if more people are interested, we'll need a better plan. Maybe over the summer we'll meet outside.
- Nine people came to book club this month. It was crowded in the library, and one person attended via zoom. Next book club will meet on April 22. We'll be discussing *The Elegance of the Hedgehog*. Copies are available.
- Members of the Friends of the library group would like to meet with the library trustees to discuss the upcoming spring fundraiser and other issues, and expect to attend the next trustees meeting..
- Picture Book Storytime program was supposed to begin last Thursday but was snowed out and will begin instead on Thursday, April 11th.
- The Courier Service Agreement form has been updated, and now covers the period of April 1, 2024 through September 30, 2026! I have signed the new agreement, which states that we will be paying \$26.30/week for regular courier service. If anyone would like to see the agreement they can see it here: [Courier Service Agreement | VTLib Reporting and Library Directory \(vermont.gov\)](#)
- I expect to receive the Summer Programming Grant sometime this month. The Grant spending period is May 15 - September 15.
- I may have a volunteer who is willing to help manage the website on a weekly basis starting in May.

Submitted respectfully,
Dena Marger 3/11/24

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