

Pope Library Minutes, Danville, 2/19 6pm

Attending: Bruce Palmer, John Blackmore, Judi McAllenney, Caroline DeMaio, Library Director, Shara McCaffrey. Absent: Barb Hawley, Gail Calkins, Kate Bertolini

Bruce brought meeting to order at 6:05pm

Minutes of January 8: No changes. Caroline moved to accept, John 2nd, U

Treasurer's Report: John reviewed financial reports. Things look good, The annual appeal is up \$7045 compared to \$4,635 last year. See reports for details. Judi moved to accept the report. Caroline seconded, U

Directors Report

Shara has worked on securing several grants.

- The Fiber Connect Grant has been approved for \$16,000, used to replace fiber connections and all that is entailed. Shara is checking with providers to compare costs. It is expected that we will have money left in the grant to use as needed. Needs to be completed by June. Ormsby's was suggested as a possible business to do the connectivity work
- U.S. Treasury Capital Project Fund Grant: after much discussion we decided to not apply for this large grant as the time frame is tight and the project to address accessibility in the library with a lift would take a lot of research. We agreed that addressing accessibility in the library is important and commended Shara for her suggestions. Caroline is going to ask Robert Peabody Brown, an architect to come and look at the building and advise.
- Shara has met with a potential candidate for the Youth Librarian position and will meet with her again to continue the discussion. Looking at the budget for the position it seemed that \$15 + an hour would be a good salary.
- Gail and Kate are working on the Novel Dinner. Bruce says we need more sponsors and donors for silent auction.

New Board Members - discussion was moved to the next meeting.

Executive Session to review Director's Assessment will be done with zoom so that all board members can be present.

Caroline moved to adjourn, John seconded.