

Minutes

OAK BLUFFS PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Monthly Meeting, electronically by Zoom

3pm, April 8, 2021

WELCOME/CALL TO ORDER 3:06PM

Scottie, Marney, Lynn, Kathy, Pam, Allyson, EL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: March 11, 2021, & April 8, 2021

RE-OPENING PLAN: The 'amended', amended reopening— Soft opening for Island libraries & public opening planned for May. But recent spikes in COVID cases (47- 101) on the Island has pushed back opening dates based on data from Boards of Health, number of staff vaccinated, so our soft opening will be May 1. The soft opening will be with volunteers (Trustees & patrons by appointment) on week of May 1, to assess protocols, and evaluate what to recommend for wider public opening & access. Allyson will meet with Selectmen next week to report plan.

ENERGY EFFICIENCY UPDATE:

Lighting, HVAC & planning... Marilyn Miller has written a summary of the library energy efficiency report. T.J. Turner from Rise has said LED for dome lights are not feasible due to cost and poorer energy efficiency. Ray Moreis has reported Light deliveries for each Town Department have arrived to be distributed. We currently have 53 domes & hundreds of other lights in the library.

Long term plan for the library heating/ cooling... Richie Combra is planning to bring in an engineer to assess our needs over the next 4-5 years. We are eligible for MBLC Building grant in 2025 which might be able to be used for HVAC, when we can get on their list. Also Capital Improvement funds from Town could be requested. Moisture reduction & temperature control in Meeting Room & book closet are being addressed by Richie and Doug of Green Committee

LETTER OF REQUEST: Subject: insufficient Tech support, draft submitted by Marney, Scottie & Pam. After discussion and some minor tweaks, Pam will write a final draft for Scottie to send to Selectmen.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Marney liked the format of Circulation report, asked about procedures for Thank yous to donors (Marcos records, sends notes (that are IRS friendly where appropriate) from Allyson, also complimented Children's Room Newsletter. We all commended Caitlyn and Mary Jane , & Marco for their efforts. Also mentioned MV Climate Week in November with MV Commission Education Committee. Planning meetings via Zoom April 28 @ 11AM & 7PM ... "Climate to Thrive"... OBPL plans to participate

Book Sale and donations are presently still on hold.

ADJOURNMENT: 4:15 PM

May 13, 2021 next meeting