

ASHVILLE FREE LIBRARY

April 25, 2023

Those in attendance included: President Don Butler, Vice President Michelle Arnone, Secretary Mary Jo Eddy, Financial Officer Pete Radka, Pat Poignard, Roberta Schruise, Eugenie Poignard, Melissa First and Director Kristina Benson.

A motion was made by Pete and seconded by Melissa to accept the Board Minutes of the March meeting. This passed unanimously.

The Financial Officer's report by Pete:

CD: \$10,000.00

Checking: \$50,333.47

Savings: \$5,521.68

Money Received: \$626.05

Total Assets: \$66,481.20

Memorials and Grants to be spent: \$4,968.83

Overall Total: \$61,512.37

A motion was made by Don and seconded by Melissa for Pete to shred his financial reports from 2003 to 2015. The remaining records will be kept for tax purposes. The motion passed unanimously.

The upcoming Basics Of series will begin May 2, 2023, from six to seven o'clock with the Probate of Living Wills, etc.

The Summer Reading Program will run from July 10<sup>th</sup> through August 8<sup>th</sup> with a theme of All Together Now focusing on Community. Part of this program will be held at the library and part of it will be an in the bag pick-up.

This year's book sale fundraiser will begin with Books and Bottles on the evening of August 10<sup>th</sup> and the sale continued on August 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>. The final day will be a bag sale as usual.

Several suggestions were discussed as a replacement for our July golf fundraiser. These included: Escape Room, JCC Murder Mystery, Ice Cream Social, and a Community Scavenger Hunt. Further discussion will continue at future meetings.

Pete is working on an energy project through National Grid to go from TA'S to LED'S which should save us some money. National Grid would pay \$1,600.00 and we would be responsible for \$1,300.00 of this project. Our lights would become brighter with less glare. A motion was made by Don and seconded by Pete which passed unanimously to pursue this project.

Pete will also look into a dusk to dawn light to replace the outside one which currently has to be reset whenever there is a power outage.

We still have an open Board seat. Roberta will contact Cathy Burns about her interest in joining our Board of Trustees.

The next Board meeting will be May 23, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Jo Eddy  
Secretary