Tuxedo Park Library

February 8th, 2023

Approved Minutes

President Davidson called the meeting to order at 7:35 PM.

Present: Trustees Bakhtiary, Bullard, Davidson, Fennell, Howard, Director Loomis and Assistant Director Sandak

Absent: Trustee Gates-Bonarius

Minutes: On a motion by President Davidson, and seconded by Trustee Howard, the annual minutes and the January 2023 minutes were unanimously approved as submitted.

Public Comments: None

Treasurer’s Report:
President Davidson reported that there were no major changes in finances. The library should receive the annual tax check in the next few weeks. The library is in good shape financially for the year ahead. The Reading room roof and ceiling needs to be fixed and the total estimated costs is between $4,500-5,500 and the deductible is $1,000. It was recommended to file a claim with insurance.

Director’s Report:
Director Loomis’ Director’s report was circulated prior to the meeting. She reported that the Tiny Art show has been a huge success thanks to youth services librarian, Kara Gemian. Patrons are given a small canvas and art supplies and then they are asked to bring back their canvases and they will be then displayed at the library. There was a discussion about having a tiny art show reception.

A discussion began about the Energy Audit, and the need for getting help from an advisor. If the Tuxedo Park Library can invest in projects that reduce our consumption, it would be beneficial for the library in the long run.

A discussion continued about hiring a cleaning company and it was agreed to move forward with the recommendation.

A discussion began about possibly adding a table and chairs/bench to the side lawn for patron to sit outside and use.
Authors’ Circle:
Trustee Howard reported that on March 19th, 2023 there will be an Authors’ Circle meeting with author Tony Hiss on his book *Rescuing the Planet: Protecting the Land To Heal The Earth*. Gerry and Christopher Gow, who is the head of the tree committee will be participating in the discussion.

Building and Maintenance:
Director Loomis reported The wifi outside has improved and there is great coverage around the library and in the parking lot. The wifi hotspots will be coming in the next few months.

Friends:
None

Memorial Day:
Trustee Bakhtiary reported that the first meeting was this Saturday, February 11th, 2023 at the library at 8:30 am. The group is trying this year to focus on ads and getting as many businesses to place ads as possible. The last date to place an ad is April 14th.

The February Meeting was adjourned at 8:22.

Respectfully submitted,
Heather Bullard, Secretary