

New Britain Library Board Minutes
New Britain, RI, 02860
November 18, 2019

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Jo Street.

Member's present were: Jo Street, Tavis Samel, Diane Overholser, Judy Buche, Vivian Brondar, Vicki, the Librarian. Absent was Amanda Williams and Greg Street.

Public Comments: None

Board Meeting Minutes:

October meeting minutes were reviewed. Vivian mentioned for October minutes to be approved. Judy seconded. Minutes were approved.

Librarian Director Updates:

-Vicki distributed the October 2019 Librarian report to Board members and the report was reviewed.

-Numbers for October were good again. There were questions about the E-books. Vicki said Libby was about 60 and the Cloud about 500.

-October recap.

-Book or Book in the park was good. The weather was great, and we gave out over 600 items. We gave out finger toys and elementary school books. We still have some books left for next year. We have given out bookshelves in the past, and some asked about them.

-We did pre-sale on Friday for the Village Wide Y and Sale. Hardcover books were \$2.00 and paperbacks \$1.50. We had 100 people. Saturday we had about 150 people and did the \$2 bags. We sold the Clifford costumes, old chairs, and we made \$1,120. We almost sold out of the baked goods. Vicki ordered more bags for the spring yard sale, and we will do the pre-sale again.

-The Library Carol was the month of October. We had 220 crackers.

-We will have Book Bingo, Thursday, November 13 from 7:00-8:00. We have M&M's, popcorn and water for the patrons.

-December 8, from 7:00-8:00 we will have our Holiday Storytime with Freedy and Rudolph. We will have cake and water and gift bags for the kids.

-Someone approached Vicki about having a painting event for kids. Vicki is looking at having something either December 30 or January 2 for kids ages 5-12 and limit the class to 15. The library will have to supply paint, brushes, and paper.

-Vicki would like to have the carpets cleaned either after the holidays or the winter weather. She will use the same company as last year.

-Vicki's Carol also runs for the library quit working. She will purchase one for the library and donate all her supplies to the library.

-The library has a Participation Blanket on the counter. Patrons get a ticket for doing different things. The drawing will be December 2nd.

Financial Report:

Treasurer's Report for October was reviewed.

-Vivian distributed the receipts and expenses, the overall budget for the year, the bills to pay and the bank reconciliation. A CD is maturing in December and Vivian will check the rates.