

February 25, 2022 Special Meeting

We could call the meeting to order at 2:59 The special meeting so Deb, yes, the annual report.

Are there any questions?

Fred: Yeah. Deb on item 1.49. To the inquiry regarding unusual circumstances, you entered it? Yes. But you didn't specify what the unusual circumstances were that I could see 149

Deb: There's a note that says COVID closure or limit to in house services. close to patrons inside with curbside only seven 127 420 Okay, and again, one 721 to two 321.

Fred: Okay, so we're about about someplace else. Okay. Something similar on 3.50 will be about another two. I don't I don't I don't have a document in front of a because zoom is occupying my screen are the same point for other two.

Deb: Other two

Fred: Yeah. Let me go let me open this thing. Cheers.

Deb: OH, it's local organizations and businesses. They were collaborators with us and the summer reading programs

Fred: and 4.13 There's a strange item on the successful retrieval of electronic information happened five, what what does it mean?

Deb: Those are databases through Gale GALE subscription that goes to the Central Library has for us.

Fred: It's so important to you. I picked up by the address error and I see if you explain that in a footnote to this whole box at the end on the square footage. Who does anybody read this thing? I want to make continuing if they whoever they are who orders this I don't correct their errors after two years of operation. Does anybody read it? Is it worth it?

Deb: Yeah, yeah, I don't think I don't know if it's worth it. But we're required to do it though.

Fred: He got me feedback. And finally on under nine service outlet information number 29. Point of curiosity, you're saying that your internet connectivity is equal to or greater than 100 megabytes per second? What are you getting? Do you know? Spectrum advertises 200. Standard. And I run a speed test on this machine here from time to time and I get 90 Download.

Deb: I just know it was in that range. I didn't write down actually what was your test? I tested it before I brought

Fred: Those are my thoughts on the matter.

Anyone else?

Arlene: I have two questions. One is on the 3.11 Does the library provide services to homebound what? What are we doing? With the homebound I was not aware that we were

Deb: we are willing to go and give them tech assistance if they would like

Arlene: alright, so it's just the opposite. We haven't ever done it yet.

Deb: Not recently. We had been doing it before COVID. Okay, but it's still it's still a valid option. I don't it's probably not home bound but Maria did go assist GPS at their house

Arlene: and then the other question just for my own curiosity, what is this terminology synchronous programs? I don't remember ever seeing that terminology before.

New this year. It means live as opposed to virtual. Yeah. Anything they could do to make it more confusing

Arlene: that's all I have They edited but not they don't make corrections.

Anything else?

Fred: I move that we approve the annual report as provided by the director.

Cate: A second. I second that. Sue

So any further discussion Thanks, Deb. All in favor? Aye. Any opposed or abstaining? Motion carried.

Deb: Thank you. And then hopefully you also my note about masks. So I was just looking just before we started the meeting and the CDC has not yet changed the policy. But it appears that what they're going to do is change it to no longer require it or change how they're assessing whether it's needed or not. So I would like to recommend that we as soon as they come out with that policy, whether it's today or tomorrow or whatever day they do effective that day that we no longer require masks in the library.

Fred: So moved. Second Jim

Cate: okay. So it's no longer requiring masks or is it still just they may have their recommendation may vary a little bit from that.

Deb: They it looks like what they're going to do is instead of high substantial they'll look at hospitalization rates and COVID numbers. So they will recommend a low, medium or high rate and based off of our hospitalization rates, I think we'll be in the low

Arlene: so should be we follow the CDC recommendations regarding the use of masks since we really don't know what they're going to be.

Deb: Yes, we would.

Jim: Should it be the way the motion is worded?

Fred: Yes, amended, Jim.

Jim: I don't have a copy of the motion but I guess well, you have to amend it because you're the one that made it but you would probably say that you make a motion that we follow the CDC guidelines and reduce the requirements for masks where possible. Okay.

Cate: I wouldn't even say that. I would just say because we don't know if it'll be reduced. I can't be getting at the increase right now. But at some point it might be able to be increased. So it's

Arlene: It's just gonna follow the CDC recommendations regarding use of

Cate: follow the CDC recommendations regarding mask use

Arlene: Well, I guess we should say the current whatever the new the new I don't know. We already though.

Cate: Current. Very good. Did you say current? She did. Yeah. Yeah. Current mask use because that we've seen that that fluctuates. We don't have to have emergency meetings if we just follow their guidelines. Okay. That work for everybody. All in favor? Aye. Aye. Any opposed or abstaining? Motion carries.

Sue: Okay, one other thing should we make motion to pay that Visa bill she sent out the beginning of the week?

Deb: Yep. \$71.88

Sue: Yes, I make motion that she can pay that. Second. JIm

Cate: Any further discussion? All in favor? Aye. opposed or abstaining? Motion carried. We did. I did write to Deb after that because I recall that we at a board meeting when Anne was still here that we gave approval for recent bills to be paid under a certain amount without Board approval. We just couldn't remember. It had to be at least 100 I thought it was a couple 100 or more. Deb went back and looked in. I even had time so I think we've covered. Does others remember that? Yeah. So

Sue: I don't remember that. I think that might have been

I think that was

Cate: Arlene you must remember

Arlene: There's no motion because it covers us. Yeah. Especially since Yeah. Especially since we all had a communication with the bookkeeper asking that we approve it. Yeah. Okay.

Cate: So unless there's further business, we can adjourn the meeting.

I have one. Go ahead. Jim.

Jim: Do we have any idea when we will not be able to have Zoom is or or medium for communicating meetings?

Deb: Right now. We're okay up until the 16th of March, which is the day of our next board meeting. The indications have been probably after that she will not extend that emergency order anymore. But obviously we don't know. Cate: Arlene?

Arlene: Yes. So I was walking out the woods about three days ago and somebody I've met before that I don't know personally said you're involved with the library. Right nicely. I'm on the board and he said What's this thing about snowshoes and I said I don't have a clue. I don't know anything about snowshoes. So what's the thing?

Deb: Saratoga Plan had approached me previously and asked if we would be willing to loan out snowshoes and I said, Sure, I would have no problem with that. We would just have to get snowshoes from somewhere. So they put out a call for people that do not want their snow choose any longer and donate them. So so far, we have two pair and we'll see. It was last week. I think that they started so

Arlene: Do we have somebody who's going to maintain these? They break bindings.

Deb: They do that is true. We will have to see this. I know nothing about snowshoes the way I see it, it's it's you know, as if we were lending tools or something like that.

Arlene: Yeah, why I'm not saying I think it's a bad thing. I just think who knows because I know snowshoes could be tricky because we've owned them for years and little things go wrong. And

Deb: are you volunteering?

Cate: In my opinion since it this is Saratoga Plan's plan to give this because I've had snow shoes for years to get this no issues back to Saratoga Plan and say these are no longer usable. Let them decide what to do because they're not our snowshoes. Correct.

Deb: I'm sure that whoever is donating them doesn't want them anymore but I'm not clear who owns them.

Cate: Saratoga plan owns

Jim: We're just. we need, do we need to have the people that are borrowing the snowshoes sign a waiver

Deb: Yeah, I'm going to come up with something

Arlene: I think we need to clarify the ownership too so that we don't find ourselves liable for something that we don't know about. Anyway, I was it took you know I that I don't know. Really think about it and then actually

when I did come home, I looked on the library website and I saw it but of course it still didn't tell me what what's really going so yeah.

Cate: Okay, any further questions? Otherthen slapping on our snowshoes, no shoes all right. So

Sue: I make motion to adjourn.

Thanks, Jim. All in favor? Aye. Any opposed or abstaining? Right. Motion meetings over it's 3:13.