



Lyons Public Library

**Lyons Public Library
Board of Trustees Meeting
August 20, 2024**

The meeting was called to order at 6:37 p.m. in the community room.

Present: Gary Bennett, Joan Wallis, Leslie Shaw, Marianne Stephan, Scott Bailey, Joe O'Toole, and Matt Owen. Chantel Bostic-Bullock was excused.

Motion: Marianne Stephan moved to accept the July minutes. Matt Owen seconded. Carried.

Financial Report: This was sent to trustees by Sharon Arthur. The board discussed the July expenses. The surplus for the 2023-2024 fiscal year was \$35,711. The board designated \$5,000 of that surplus for the technical fund for future technical purchases and the balance to general operating expenses.

Motion: Scott Bailey moved to designate \$5,000 of the surplus to the technology fund and the balance to general operating expenses. Marianne Stephan seconded. Carried.

Director's Report: Joe will be meeting with Jake Chard, Brian Mankletow's chief of staff to get it more information about the \$50,000 grant that Brian secured for the library and to complete the paperwork. He is also working on a grant from Humanities New York for another adult reading and discussion program for the fall and winter. He's applying for a small grant through OWWL for an inclusive collection aid including large print titles, foreign language resources and collections by or for marginalized or underrepresented groups. The library has completed our partnership with the Lyons Central School District's summer program.

Facilities Report: A report on the August 14 facilities meeting with the architect about the replacement for the AAON HVAC unit and plans for the lower level was made to the board.

Town of Lyons Grant Funding: Gary shared his final draft of a letter to town supervisor Jim Brady concerning the needs of the library and inquiring whether the

Lyons Public Library could obtain funding for three projects from the state federal or other grants that the town has or will be applying for. He indicated that the New York Downtown Revitalization Initiative, New York Forward and the New York Main Street programs may provide such funding.

HVAC Replacement: We received quotes from three HVAC companies; we will forward these to Julia Hafftka-Marshall.

Volunteers Needed for the Following: Back-to-School Bash at the elementary and middle/high school on Wednesday, August 28, from 5-7 p.m.; Pumpkinpalooza at the Little League field on Saturday, October 5, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. (for two hour shifts); Trunk-or-Treat at the Lyons Community Center on Saturday, October 26, from 1 to 3 p.m.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:14 p.m. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, September 17, at 6:30 p.m. at the Lyons Public Library.

Respectfully submitted,
Joan Wallis