

SARANAC LAKE FREE LIBRARY
Annual Meeting
January 25, 2012

Board President Anne Paulson called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM in the Cantwell Community Room. There were 18 members present. Anne thanked staff members, Pat Wiley and Peggy Orman for the beautiful Annual Report.

Agenda: The agenda was approved on a motion by Adam Brayshaw/Peter Lukens.

Minutes: The minutes of the last annual meeting were approved on a motion by Peter Lukens/Diane Peterson.

Director's Report: Anne Paulson reviewed the report. Circulation has been good; interlibrary loans numbers increased. Pat Wiley explained the decrease in borrower numbers as a one-time correction, done automatically, that removed inactive borrowers. The membership drive went over the goal. Anne thanked Nadia Korths, who coordinates the beautiful art shows throughout the year.

Volunteer summary: Pat Wiley reported on 20 upstairs weekly volunteers who logged in 824 hours helping with library tasks, including the repair of 191 books. Many other volunteers came in for short term projects, such as Library Luncheon, Story Hour, Summer Reading Program, TABOB, book sales, exhibits, and membership. Also, 9 students put in 81 volunteer hours, and an additional 3 or 4 students, who are summer residents, volunteered. In honor of the volunteers, a reception held on May 6, 2011 had 70 attendees. Michele, Peggy, Christie, and Pat provided the entertainment. Pat thanked all volunteers for a year's work.

Adirondack Research Room: Michele Tucker reported that the room had 466 researchers and visitors. She answered 150 telephone and email requests, which comprises more and more of her work time, as well as increasingly popular photo requests. Duplicate books were sold, with the help of Ted Comstock, yielding \$3659. Ted also helped sort through a large donation of materials. Nine regular volunteers logged in 442 hours. Jim Griebisch continues to work on the Kolleyer Film Project, digitizing and showing a program that he put together. Photographs have also been exhibited at Historic Saranac Lake.

Treasurer's Report: Carol Edmonds noted that the expenditure for new reading room furniture was paid for with memorial funds and the new walkway with a construction grant.

2012 Proposed Budget: Carol reviewed the 2012 budget. No major issues are expected for the next year, and only a 1% tax-payer increase was asked for. The board was very happy to have been able to give modest salary increases to the staff. The budget was unanimously approved on a motion by Peter Lukens/Diane Peterson.

Outgoing board members: Carol Edmonds and Betty Wadsworth were thanked for completion of 5 years on the board, and were given certificates of appreciation.

New Trustees: Beth Benson and Margaret Worden were presented and approved on a motion by Gloria Drucker/Peter Morrill.

Other Business: John Vinograd suggested offering privileges to members of the library. Elizabeth Rogers of CEF reported that grant money was used to purchase E readers to circulate to libraries in the system.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 PM on a motion by Betty Wadsworth/ Carol Edmonds

Shirley Morgan, Board Secretary.