

**Spring Green Community Library Board Meeting**  
**Tuesday, July 13, 2021**

The meeting was called to order by Sue Meise at 5:00 PM in compliance with the Open Meeting Law.

**Present:** Sue Meise, Linda Thering, Linda Kettner, Ed Lilla, Sam Van Hallgren, Jeannie McCarville

**Absent:**

**Library Director:** Lisa Renier Thomas

**Guests:** Jean Porter, Bridget Roberts, Christi Makos

**Agenda:** Linda Kettner moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Linda Thering. Motion carried.

**Minutes:** Linda Kettner moved to approve the minutes of the June 8, 2021, meeting with the addition of Guest: Bridget Roberts, seconded by Ed Lilla. Motion carried.

**Treasurer & Financial Report:** Linda Thering moved to accept the treasurer and financial report, seconded by Sam Van Hallgren. Motion carried.

**Approval of Bills:** Linda Thering moved to approve the bills, seconded by Linda Kettner. Motion carried.

**Director's Report:** Lisa distributed her report. Programming is going well. The Story Hike at the Spring Green Preserve was great and well attended. Take and Make kits continue. *Arts for Wisconsin* traveling exhibit is available to us beginning Aug 2. We're going to partner with the Sauk County Historical Society for "An Evening With the First Lady" (Eleanor Roosevelt) on Oct. 5. Lisa mentioned a few highlights from the Sauk County Library Board meeting. Benches have been delivered from the scouts. Library data was distributed.

**Friends Update:** Linda Thering reported they haven't met, but did have a successful book sale and received many monetary donations during the Community Garage Sale.

**New Business**

**-Outdoor Story Walk Challenge and Update:** Lisa reported that everything is fine. There was a challenge to the Story Walk by one of the village board members. The current Story Walk can stay in the current location. They asked Lisa to work with members of the village board about future installations.

**-Library Plumbing: Review and possible action on plumbing quotes:** Quotes for new sinks, faucets, toilets and a drinking fountain/water bottle filler were distributed. Linda Kettner moved to have Lisa get quotes for new sinks and touchless faucets from Kraemer Plumbing and Foster Plumbing, seconded by Jeannie McCarville. Motion carried.

**-Discussion and Nomination of Trustees:** Sam Van Hallgren moved to stay with Linda Kettner and Ed Lilla as trustees, seconded by Linda Thering. Motion carried.

**-Election of Trustees:**

**Old Business**

**-Kaleidoscope Installation:** The kaleidoscope has been installed. Lisa will put some pavers around the cement pad. Patti Peltier suggested a sign giving directions for use. We'll have little plaques listing the donors.

**-Library Landscape Maintenance:** Sue Meise has watered the new grass and trimmed some plantings. Sue will talk to the village workers about cleaning up the front area and bringing in new soil, mulch and a concrete pad for the table and chairs. Linda Thering moved to have Linda Kettner, Ed Lilla and Patti Peltier choose rain barrel not to exceed \$300, seconded by Linda Kettner. Motion carried.

**-Recruitment of New Library Board Member:** We currently have the right number of board members. Ed looked at the requirements for board member make-up. There was discussion about this. There was discussion about the representative from the school district. Lisa would like to have a current teacher.

**-Library Service Plan: Mask Policy-** We are one of the few places requiring masks. Pending a conversation with staff a new sign will be displayed stating masks are recommended and unvaccinated patrons should wear a mask. **Restrooms-** Sue will check with the schools about what they use for cleaning. **Community Room-** There have been questions from the public about use of the room. We feel we're at the point to reopen the room with a cap of 25% of capacity. Users will be asked to sanitize surfaces after use.

**General Public Comment:** Jean Porter asked about the problem with putting a new board member on. She asked that we think about this. She knows of people the are interested in this. Sam thinks new people do bring additional perspective. Bridget Roberts asked why the board is so afraid of adding a new member. She thinks there are interested people who would bring new fresh ideas. Ed discussed how he interprets the Trustee Manual. He feels he's always been respectful to the staff. It was suggested that we contact SCLS about this issue. Christi Makos stated that she would love to have more school district interaction as it is really hard to do things with the schools. She feels we could do more community building with the schools. Christi thanked everyone for being supportive of the Story Walk. She would like to have it accessible for everyone. She is excited about potential updates in the restrooms. Bridget appreciates that the board is listening to the staff regarding masks issues and feels that going forward the concern is people being able to come in and hang out all day without masks. We could potentially have a time limit on visits. The staff is encouraged to choose a memorial bench for Tammy Mueller.

**Date of Next Meeting:** Tuesday, August 3, 2021 at 5:00 PM

**Adjourn:** Ed Lilla moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Sam Van Hallgren. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Linda Kettner