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# MINUTES

Dennis Library Board

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*Thursday May 9, 2019 4:45 pm / Dennis Public Library/ Meeting called to order by Kate Byron*

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## **In Attendance**

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Members of the Dennis Library Board in attendance were Kate Byron, Cindy Cullen, Jamie Forster, Marilyn Mooers, Pat O'Donnell, Walter Phinney and Carol Tarala. Not attending were Susan Kelley and Lew Taylor. Also attending were the directors of the West Dennis, South Dennis and Dennis Memorial Libraries.

The minutes of the April 11, 2019 were approved as amended ("The Register Digitization Project came in under the budgeted amount from the CPC grant, so the funds will now include 5 years of viewing and hosting.").

## **Director's Report**

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- The partnership between the libraries and the Ezra H Baker School is wrapping up another successful year with plans being made for next year and a few upcoming end- of- year activities for the 2018-19 school year. The libraries will be represented at the Literacy Fair in June and the traveling Story Walk (The Vanishing Island) which will visit each library this summer. The Foreign Language Brochure will be available at the school and perhaps through the Dennis Chamber of Commerce.
- Students at Wixon have been given registration cards for CLAMS cards that continue to be returned to be processed by the libraries. Thirty-five students who live in Yarmoth have received cards- helping the Yarmouth libraries with home library designations. Next year, the Wixon librarian may get a CLAMS Institution card and work with town libraries to get extra titles to students, as the plans for direct delivery from CLAMS and Over-Drive did not work out.
- The budget was approved at the May town meeting.
- State Aid will go out around May 15<sup>th</sup>.

## **Little Libraries by the Sea**

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The Little Libraries will open on or around June 26<sup>th</sup>. Supplies and bookmarks are ready. A preliminary schedule was given to board members to inspect. If changes are needed, please email Kate.

Volunteers were reminded to stick to their own scheduled boxes and plan to service their assignments at least 2-3 times a week. In order to have enough inventory to last through Labor Day, please do not overfill or double stack items.

West Dennis volunteers please check with Dennis Public, West Dennis and South Dennis libraries to get their books. When supplies run out, there should be books at Dennis Memorial to fill in.

At the end of your assignment, please send your total book count to: [ctarala@comcast.net](mailto:ctarala@comcast.net).

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## Library Reports

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- **South Dennis-** Star Wars Drop-In Craft was most successful. There were 10-12 children who attended the fun session and the Drop-In will happen on the first Saturday of each month. The theme for June's drop in will be Flag Day, with a related craft. The library will hold a Book Sale on June 21<sup>st</sup>. The Memory Book for Anne Speyer is still at the library and Board members are invited to stop in and write a message to Anne.
- **Dennis Memorial-** The Annual Volunteer Luncheon (Potluck) was held on May 10<sup>th</sup> as a thank you to the volunteers who help the library run smoothly. Free cell phone help can be scheduled on a one to one basis, Monday- Friday – ½ hour session by appointment. Makeup Made Easy – a workshop and demonstration is scheduled for May 16<sup>th</sup>, with an additional workshop for Teens and Tweens to be scheduled in July.
- **West Dennis-** The Mother's Day Tea will be held Saturday May 11<sup>th</sup> at the Graded Schoolhouse. Tickets are still available and can be bought at the door. The Flavors of Dennis will be on June 5<sup>th</sup> at the West Dennis Yacht Club. Fun will include a live band, delicious food, and a Silent Auction. Tickets are on sale. Upcoming programs include- Eco Friendly Plants for Cape Cod Gardens on May 31<sup>st</sup>, Movie Matinee on June 12<sup>th</sup>, Wild Care presentation geared for adults- "My Birdseed Brings all the Birds to My Yard" on June 21<sup>st</sup>.
- **Dennis Public-** Programs for May:
  - May 11<sup>th</sup> Noon – Concert: Ron Williams and Students- Jazz Guitar
  - May 23<sup>rd</sup> 4pm- The Power of Your Words and Actions
  - May 28<sup>th</sup> 3 pm- FREE Self- Publishing Workshop
  - May 30<sup>th</sup> 4pm- Essential Life Skills Series- NUTRITION
  - June 1<sup>st</sup> 12:30- Sail Away on the Craft of Pastel Painting
- **Jacob Sears** – May 16<sup>th</sup>- Annual Meeting. Main topic will be what needs to be repaired, focusing on water run off at the back of the property that is creating gullies. The library / Historical Society program by Mary Kurtz on the Sea Captain's House was very successful with 90 people in attendance,

### **Adjournment and Next Meeting:**

The next meeting of the Dennis Library Board will be scheduled for June 13<sup>th</sup>. Time and place to be announced. The meeting was adjourned at 5:35pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Tarala

Secretary