bGuernsey Memorial Library Board of Trustees January 11, 2024

Attendance: L. Chwazik, D. Miner, J. Clement, L Mealing, P. Giltner, A. Eaton, P. Wolford, C. Dalrymple, W. Burdick, K. Hazen

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by President I. Mealing.

Scott Ryan, Superintendent at Norwich City Schools addressed the Board regarding GML's relationship with the NCSD. The forensic audit brought forth legal and financial issues concerning the relationship. The next step seems to be a meeting of NCSD and a GML lawyer to determine the legal options available under the Jane Guernsey will.

(C. Dalrymple will contact our lawyers to explain the situation and decide how to proceed)

Corrected minutes of the December meeting were unanimously approved upon a motion by P. Giltner. 2nd D. Miner. (Vote for the NY/CLASS account)

Treasurer's Report: W. Burdick

NY/CLASS account received \$1,736.24 interest for one month compared to same balance receiving \$20 interest for the same time period from NBT. W. Burdick will contact NBT to determine if there is a financially better account.

A motion to keep our uninvested money in the same accounts for another month was made by P. Wolford. 2nd A. Eaton. Six voted yes with L. Mealing voting no.

Finance Committee:

The bills were paid upon a motion by A. Eaton. 2nd L. Chwazik. Unanimously approved,

A blanket purchase order was signed by L. Mealing to pay for the Hot Spot tablet

Director's Report: C. Dalrymple.

Enrollment in the Library Speakers Consortium is exciting.

C. Dalrymple updating MSDS notebook.

Discussion of Public Survey led to some ideas for changes. C. Dalrymple will look into the possibility of obtaining a security guard.

Still getting quotes for new shelving.

Children's Librarian: K. Hazen

New Teen Book Club - Our Voices Matter. Suggestion to contact school LA teachers and English teachers from nearby districts.

Unfinished Business:

Building Project Update - Waiting on the welder for the railings.

New Business:

2024 calendar was unanimously approved upon a motion by P. Giltner. 2nd. A. Eaton.

C. Dalrymple will look for a virtual Workplace Violence Training for the Board (as well as staff) A Sexual Harassment Prevention training will be at a later date. Links will be sent.

At a suggestion in the Public Survey, the meeting room needs redecorating. A committee of L. Mealing, L. Chwazik, and J. Clement was formed.

As there was no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm upon a motion by P. Wolford. 2nd A. Eaton.

Jane S. Clement, secretary