

BOARD OF DIRECTORS FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

July 20, 2017.

10:30 AM

Present: Brady Weinstock, Kate Kane, Leslie Lassetter, Committee Members

Others: Celina Houlne, Library Director

Call to Order: Brady called the meeting to order at 10:42 AM.

Additions to Agenda for routine administrative matters and/or pressing matters that will require ratification at a future meeting: None

Public Comment (3 minutes per person): None

Approve Minutes of April 19, 2017 meeting: Moved by Leslie and seconded to approve as printed. The motion passed.

Discussion of Methods of Fundraising:

Grants: Celina reported that the library has access to a database of grants called Grant Station. Kate agreed to look through the database and meet with Celina about appropriate grants for which to apply. The 2016 price for installation of solar panels to the roof is \$34,544, and Celina has a grant written to be used when a source of funds is determined (via Grant Station). Celina also reported that a grant application has been written to the Windham Foundation for digitizing the historical collection. Kate has reached out to the Windham Regional Commission and Integrated Solar about grants specifically for renewable energy.

Bequests: Celina reported that online donations using credit cards are not yet available through the Town of Rockingham. She shared a brochure called "Leave It to the Library" about making bequests, and her plan is to recreate this brochure for RFPL.

Annual Appeal: Celina suggested we set a goal of \$10,000. It was decided that we would cross check the town tax list with our annual appeal mailing list, and we will ask the board of trustees for names to add to the appeal.

Other Business: Celina reported that the Friends of the RFPL have raised approximately 75% of the \$12,500 needed for the Jerry Pfohl painting of the Vilas Bridge.

Review Action Items and Proposed Agenda Items for Next Meeting: Kate will review Grant Station and meet with Celina about grant options. Celina will request the Rockingham Grand List in preparation for cross checking that list with the annual appeal list.

Set Date for Next Meeting: September 13, 2017 at 3:30 PM.

Adjourn: At 11:31 AM, motion by Kate Kane and seconded to adjourn this meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kate Kane
Recording Secretary