

Literacy Volunteers of Sullivan County
LVSC Board Meeting Minutes
June 9, 2015

Members Present: Leo Glass, Dawn Ryder, Connie Keller, Barbra Kaufer, Audrey Borella, Margaret Hotchkin

Members absent: Jill Atkins Patricia Deagle, Linda Browne, Gaye Donofrio

Acceptance of Minutes: Dawn made a motion to accept, Barbara 2nd.

REPORTS:

Treasury

It was discussed to transfer \$3,500 from the Read I Again account \$7,500 from the Money Market account to the operating account to cover the expenses for the month of June, 2015. Dawn suggested funds out of Money Market account to pay bills.

COMMITTEES:

Foundations/Phillanthropic:

Dawn reported the Monticello Elks met their goal in getting donations. They are donating \$1,000. Received \$2,000 the other \$1,000 will be to Vets, taking them to baseball game.

Strategic Planning:

Need chair. We are required as a non-profit to have a plan in place. The goals will be the same as in the past. Connie will work with the committee. We can do this as a committee of the whole board. Leo asked Connie to send the plan from last year to all board members.

By-Laws:

Barbra went over. Connie and her will meet and use the one from Ulster. Leo said each member should go over by-laws and come up with ideas and a plan.

Student/Tutor Recruitment and Retention:

Need a chair. Did a report last year. Need to go and do a presentation. Leo can go.

Large Fundraiser:

Dawn asked if we could play poker? As a non-profit we cannot.

Bank Tag:

Jill is taking care of at Jeff Bank. Connie will follow up.

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Board Nominating:

Leo said Peter Donolo has expressed interest in being on the board. He has been a tutor, and in charge of heating and cooling. Asked him to submit a letter of interest.

Bagel Festival:

The Bagel Festival will be on August 16th. We can use table from Literacy Center. We need volunteers to help at tables in 2 or 3 hour shifts. We can sell raffle tickets for \$1 each 6 for \$5. A question arose if we can sell water. Connie will inquire.

Energy Committee:

No news from George Popp. Margaret will be on this committee. Need to have work done by October.

Old Business:

A question arose on common core (re: moving tanks and putting inside). Connie will have a meeting.

Regarding TWC/Verizon Connie negotiated and got a better price.

New Business:

Dawn Leo and Ginny attended Omega. It was very interesting. We are the only Literacy Center who is self supporting. We have two bookstores, and own our facility. Dawn asked if we are a NYCON Member (NY Council of Non Profits). Connie said we are a member of the County. A suggestion was made to give attendance certificates to tutor and students who get more than 15 hours of month being a tutor or being a student. This will result in positive outcomes. We can add a newsletter if we have and can post to Facebook. At annual meeting for years of service Connie said we had pins we gave out in the past.

We can do fundraising, perhaps a scrabble board game, ride to read, go to historic locations and end with a BBQ.

Dawn also spoke about Chamber, they changed rules of leadership. Non profits send letters out of what is needed then they will pick between January and February. We need to have it done by the end of the year.

Adjournment:

Connie made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Dawn 2nd, motion carried.