GREENSBORO FREE LIBRARY TRUSTEE MEETING Minutes of March 30, 2021 via ZOOM

Present: Becky Arnold, Virginia Lapierre, Carol Reynolds, Jennifer Lucas, Krissie Ohlrogge, Anthony Acheson, Donna Jenckes, John Miller, Rosann Hickey, Paula Davidson, Emily Purdy

- 1. Meeting called to order at 3:14.
- 2. Minutes of the February meeting were approved as distributed. Following discussion, the decision was made to include the minutes as an attachment to the agenda of future trustee meetings as well as distributing them shortly after the meeting itself.
- 3. Librarian's Report: Detailed report was received via email. A mail chimp newsletter is forthcoming. A Zentangle Follow-Up workshop is scheduled for April. May will include a birding program and an Argentinian folk guitarist. Cosponsoring such events through ZOOM with other libraries is proving very advantageous- both in increased audiences and lower costs. VERSO is being updated in an effort to provide a clearer picture of patrons- inactive ones are being removed. If a patron wishes to return to an active status, that can be done.
- 4. Youth Librarian's Report: Detailed report was received via email. Discussion included the success of the chili dinner entertainment, seed distribution from High Mowing Seeds and back yard plans. A possible tent may be donated to help create an open community space. John Miller will review the concerns regarding the concrete septic covers and advise. An upcoming grant proposal through the Association of Small and Rural Libraries was reviewed which would train Paula and Emily to serve as facilitators for community discussions surrounding how to improve and use the backyard space. Thanks extended to Paula and Emily's success in attaining many grants to support the library. A Community Well-Being grant was accepted for the purchase of outside chairs with the goal being to create more outside spaces to safely distance. The summer programming theme is Tales and Tails- Emily is open to ideas and suggestions as the summer program begins to take shape. Collaboration with Wonder Arts and the Highland Center for the Arts for summer programming will occur.
- 5. Treasurer's Report: Distributed via email. A payroll question was asked and answered. Janice Leonard, the new bookkeeper, has been meeting on Tuesday mornings with Donna for training during this transition.
- 6. Fundraising: The chili dinner was described as a resounding success- thanks and appreciation to all who contributed. Amazing community support was on display. Carol, Rosann and Becky will meet to explore the possibility of holding a summer raffle this year with a different format. Virginia and Becky will be drafting the spring newsletter with an end of May completion goal.
- 7. Facilities Update: The bathroom floor will soon be replaced. A facilities focus needs to be developed- a small group will be formed to explore possibilities.
- 8. New trustees: Welcome and thanks for taking on the role. Paula will be distributing a new trustee packet containing helpful information.

Adjourn at 4:04