



# Katonah Village Library Board Meeting Minutes 7/29/24

## **Meeting – IN-PERSON**

**Call to order** (Ian Shaw) at 7:09 p.m.

Present: Susan Hassett, Mary Kane, Amy Drucker, Tanya Fatimi, Eileen Sullivan (virtual), Catie Hall, Joe Lemire, Ian Shaw, Vienna Wong (virtual)

Absent: Alicia Montano Vigil, Larry Bartelemucci.

### **Approval of Minutes**

The June 2024 board meeting minutes were approved unanimously.

### **Finance Committee Report (Hassett)**

The Finance Committee met on July 22 (Shaw, Hassett and Ames). The focus of the meeting was to fully review our 990 in preparation for submission. The committee found everything to be accurate, and our two questions were answered by the accounting firm. Sue will sign the return and it will be filed.

### **Director's Report (Kane) See below for continuation**

Mary reported that the summer reading program has high participation and is off to a great start.

We discussed the go-forward plan with our new strategic plan that will feed into our master plan. After a discussion with the other two libraries, who are considering our proposal to work together, we discussed our plans to move forward.

### **Action Items:**

- a. Motion approved: To move forward with the plan proposal from Margaret Sullivan Studios with the other two libraries by approaching the town for funding should they both approve the concept
- b. Motion approved to move forward with the independent strategic plan proposal from Margaret Sullivan Studios should the other two libraries decline, using capital funds.
- c. Motion approved to join with the BDH/BDV Libraries request for 5% funding increase from TOB for 2025

Board meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Sue Hassett, Secretary Pro Temp

*June 22-July 26, 2024*

***Director's Report***

**Focus on Summer Reading Program**

This Year's Theme: *Adventure Begins at Your Library*

The Children's Summer Reading Program is an incentive program to keep kids reading over the summer months. **For ages 4 - 10**, participants pick up a Passport to Adventure to track their reading, win brag tags and beads for their backpacks, tattoos, and raffle tickets for ice cream at King Kone or pizza from Pizza Station. In addition, KVL offers programming throughout the summer related to the travel/adventure theme, such as *Amazing Airplanes* where the kids made airplanes from recycled materials, *Marshmallow Icons* where kids used mini marshmallows and toothpicks to create world architectural icons, *Travel Vision Boards*, and *Black and White Animals of the World*. All children who complete the 12 hours of required reading also win a free book to keep and a ticket to a special musical concert with *Lee Knight* in August.

**For Young Adults**, teens/pre-teens fill out book reviews and receive a scratch card that either reveals a mini prize (i.e. snacks, lil' plushies, books, fun swag.) or the potential to win a raffle prize. (Raffle prizes include Apple AirPods, a \$100 Barnes and Noble gift card or a mini instant camera.)

**KATONAH VILLAGE LIBRARY**

**2024 SUMMER READING PROGRAM FOR CHILDREN-YOUNG ADULT**

**AGES 4-10 (PARTICIPANTS BY HOMETOWN)**

Village/Town	Number
Katonah	192
Lewisboro	37
Bedford	9

Bedford Hills	8
Mount Kisco	5
Other (Chappaqua, Millwood, Yorktown, Pound Ridge, Somers, Southeast)	12
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>263</b>

**YOUNG ADULTS (PARTICIPANTS BY HOMETOWN)**

Village/Town	Number
Katonah	46
Goldens Bridge	7
Somers	2
Bedford Hills	3
Yorktown	3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>61</b>

**Sculptures at the Library**-Art exhibit: Artist David Boyajian’s sculptures are on exhibit at KVL. One notable piece *Four Winds*, a large outdoor installation, is on display in the library’s plaza. There are several other modern pieces throughout the library, a fun juxtaposition against the backdrop of the historical building.

**Building and Grounds**

The couch in the Young Adult area has been retired and replaced with two chairs. This is due to the fact that adults have been found sleeping on the couch.

**Meetings Attended**

-414 Committee with Bedford Village and Bedford Hills Libraries