

**Board Meeting Minutes
February 21, 2024**

Location: Catskill Public Library and Zoom

Called to Order: 7:02 PM

Present: Mike Maloney, Gil Bagnell, Rishema Fox, Sarah Decker, Mark Perry

Staff: Christopher Leary, Joan Miller, Emily McCabe, Dale LaGue, Bathsheba Orlando

Excused: Helene Tieger

Motion to approve January 17, 2024 Minutes

Approved without objection

Reports:

Treasurer report	Michael Maloney	Approved without objection
Branch Manager	Christopher Leary	Approved without objection
Director Report	Christopher Leary	Approved without objection
Adult Services Librarian	Dale LaGue	Approved without objection
Youth Services Librarian	Emily McCabe	Approved without objection
Friends of the Libraries	Joy DeVita	Not present

Old Business:

Community Solar

-Suggestions made for Christopher to look for a provider most suitable

Policies

-To be addressed with the Policy Committee

-Policies are still in the works. Further discussion to take place in March's meeting

New Business:

Annual reports to the State:

-Annual stats have been compiled to submit the *Annual Report* to the state

-Overall, there was an increase in stats YoY from 2022-2023

-Allie and Christopher will be working on a spreadsheet to show the primary stats, category requests, and highlights, which would allow everyone to see how the library progressed before, during, and since COVID

-Moving forward, staff will do a better job with tracking books and fines in circulation since it was not being tracked

-An annual Report to the Community will also be compiled for an annual vote on the budget

Motion to approve the 2023 Annual Report to NYS as presented

Sarah Decker, 2nd Rishema Fox

Best of Greene County Awards:

-The awards ceremony/dinner will be held on March 22nd from 5:30 to 8:30 PM.

-You can go to the Library's home page and vote

-The event will be held at the *Wire Event Center*: 60 S River St Building 2 Coxsackie, NY 12051

-Tickets start at \$65.00 a person and are expected to increase on March 15th

Meeting adjourned 7:48 PM

Michael Maloney, 2nd Mark Perry.

Next meeting will be held at 7:00 pm on March 20, 2024 at Catskill Public Library, 1 Franklin Street, Catskill, NY 12414.

Respectfully Submitted,

Rishema Fox, Secretary