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Attest Youn M. Zenick  
Asst. Ashford Town Clerk

**Regular Meeting of  
Babcock Library Board of Trustees at the Babcock Library  
25 Pompey Hollow Road, Ashford CT  
2:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 27, 2021**

**In Attendance:** Trustees Beth Fitzroy, Sally Demars, Ann Lojzim, Catherine Sampson and Library Director, Carolann MacMaster. Absent: Al Maccarone and Pamm Summers

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 2:34

**Secretary's Report:** Sally made the motion and Catherine seconded to accept the minutes of the regular meeting of May 25, 2021. The motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** Catherine made the motion and Ann seconded to approve the July 19, 2021 treasurer's report. The motion carried.

**Correspondence:** none

**Library Director's Report:** The library patrons are not required to wear a mask in the library if they have been vaccinated. An average of 4 people is using the computers, 7 are making copies or sending faxes, and 7-15 people coming in to pick up materials. The circulation numbers are at 910 per month with 315 being DVD's and Blu-rays. The picnic tables are together and umbrellas will be purchased in the next few weeks. Storytime ranges from 0-10 participants per week. Knitting will resume in August and ukulele has restarted with 6-9 participants. Sammy the turtle is adjusting well to his larger new home. The library is working on collaborating with Sweet Lil Details, LLC who is holding a Sunflower Festival craft fair mid-September. The sunflower head contest, decorated pumpkin contest and scarecrow contest will be held that day as well as a llama program. CarolAnn will be purchasing the solar power charging station along with the portable charging station next week.

**Old Business:** The strategic plan was tabled until next month.

**New Business:** The Board gave permission to transfer the savings account to an interest bearing account and we have agreed to keep other accounts active.

Staffing: Besides CarolAnn, there are four part-time employees, and two subs.

Customer Service: Beth has some concerns regarding customer service at the library. CarolAnn will look into it.

Programming Plans – A program schedule will be provided next month.

**Persons to be Heard –** none

**Update from Friends** – The Friends plan to have a book sale sometime in October.

**Items for Next Meeting:** August 24, 2021 – Strategic plan  
Programming

**Adjournment:** Sally made the motion to adjourn and Ann seconded at 3:27. The motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann T. Lojzim  
Recording Secretary