

Sullivan Public Library Alliance
Minutes
September 11, 2015

Peggy Johansen opened the meeting at 10:06 am at the Liberty Public Library. The following were present:

Peggy Johansen	Livingston Manor
Mary Paige Lang-Clouse	Monticello
Joyce Conroy	Roscoe
Paula Gray	Fallsburg
Marjorie Linko	Liberty

Guest Speaker: Chereen McNellis, from the BOCES High School Equivalency Program spoke about the various types of distance learning and home study classes that are offered through BOCES and at many of the various libraries. They would like to offer the GRASP distance learning program through libraries, again, which is where students pick up and drop off "Home Study packets" and work on them individually from home. This program does not have a minimum requirement for participation; if you only have one interested student that would be fine. If anyone wants more information, they can contact Chereen McNellis directly for various options at 295-4900 or by email at chereen.mcnellis@scboces.org. Chereen mentioned that the best study guide currently is *the Kaplan TASC Prep* book. Discussion was held about other types of partnerships between libraries and BOCES that might be beneficial.

Resolution of Minutes: Peggy discussed forming a group to investigate 501(c)3 status for SUPLA. MaryPaige and Peggy will meet on this topic before the end of the year. If anyone else is interested in assisting with this please contact Peggy. Mary Paige made a motion to approve the minutes of June 19, 2015, seconded by Peggy. The motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: Joyce Conroy made a motion to approve the treasurer's report, totaling \$1,070.42 as of Aug. 31, 2015. Mary Paige seconded and the motion carried. It was decided that we should collaboratively spend some of this money, soon, on either joint programming or advertising in various county publications that would benefit all member libraries. It could also go towards off-setting 3-D printing, as well.

Mary Paige announced the ribbon cutting for the new library facility on Sun. Oct. 18th at 1:00 pm. All are invited.

Meeting adjourned at 11:35 am because several members had other appointments. The next meetings will be at 10 am at the following locations:

Oct. 16th in Fallsburg

Nov. 20th in Monticello in their new building