

Hooper Board Meeting
October 4, 2022
Hooper Institute

Present: Kim Anderson, Emma Kobeski, Becky Whippie, Steven Dalessio, Sue Nadeau, Joni Cormier, Cheryl Mayberry, Laura Hayes, Seth Andrews, Helen Dalbeck

Joni Cormier calls meeting to order: 7:05pm

Secretaries report, reviewed by Emma Kobeski-no changes made

Kim motions to accept the secretary report, Sue seconds- all in favor

No formal treasurer's report completed at the meeting- this was updated online

Total income (deposits)- \$1,302.30

Ending cash balance- \$13,067.53

CSA- donation and discussion on how to control the restricted donation and whether it is truly restricted- should it be submitted in general financial report or should it be specifically set up in another checking account. Helen will have a conversation with the donor to be clear of the donation intentions.

Cheryl provides updated financial report- #'s don't match the report Helen has- this particular report is easier to read, this will be provided to the board each month.

Kim motions to approve to accept the Treasurer's report- Emma Seconds- all in favor

Helen reviews Directors report:

- Updates on school programs and school gardens by both Becky and Helen
- High School work program- 252 hours worked, 390 hours awarded. 4 students worked
- Wreath Making in December
- February 11th- Winter Fun Day, adding Hooper Chair and taking polaroid pictures with the chair

No FOHI update at this meeting

No Scholarship report

Conservation Committee Update-

Town Forester- Alex- waiting to hear if local logging company Chris Rickey will complete the project. If he does it will be completed in November, if not it will go out to bid which will take longer to complete, closer to the summer.

No old business

New Business-

Fall Festival- 71 attendees, beautiful day. Decline in attendance, possibly lack of animals, could have been promoted more. Different ideas for silent auctions/raffle

Recommending to open CSA opening earlier- Mother's Day gifts/Christmas

Next meeting:

1. Review of Board Responsibilities and expectations
 - Do we create our own expectations? Send Jonie thoughts or bring to next meeting
2. Review of budget-
 - Board review the proposed budget, saw some discrepancies
3. Building the High School work program? How to get more students interested?
4. Develop more committees to bring back updates to Hooper- develop a winter festival and fall festival committee.

Next meeting is Tuesday, November 1, 2022

Meeting adjourns: 8:27 pm

Respectfully submitted,
Emma Kobeski, Secretary