

MINUTES
Danby Community Council
Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday September 7 2017 7pm

Board Members present:, Ted Crane, Alison Christie (Pres.), Julie Clougherty (Treas.), Bill Evans (Secr.), Susan Franklin, H. Katharine Hunter (VP), Danny Wheeler

Others present: Melis Schildkraut, Danby Youth Program Manager

Welcome & Announcements

Youth Program

Melis, Katharine, Alison, and Julie had a nice walking and driving introduction to Danby before the meeting. Melis was warmly welcomed by the full Council and participated with thoughts on programs and questions of her own. She stayed for much of the meeting and had a good chance to mingle with all. At present, Melis will have and one "Lunch Bunch" at Boynton Middle School. Ted brought also brought up our mutual wishes to have her at affiliated events...like Harvest Festival, Danby Fun Days, caroling and other such programs. At this time we also believe that we can do a Primitive Pursuits programs, just waiting for final approval and location.

Programs include: Whacky Wednesday leading up to Wizarding Weekend in Ithaca, Photography, Family events/Programs, and some one-time-only event to try to attract different age groups... i.e. pizza party, teen music performances, etc. After Melis left, Alison and the "sub" committee members expanded on the offers and ideas from Dave Sanders, Shelley Lester, and Janice Johnson that we will be able to offer her 30 hours at least through 2017 and most likely through all of 2018 while we explore ways to permanently increase her hours and move toward full-time!

Minutes

Susan moved the July 6, 2017 Minutes and all approved as amended.

Bill accidentally sent the August Minutes to Arizona on a laptop he uses in his avian field studies there. He will not get this laptop back to retrieve these Minutes until November.

Event Planning

Fishing Derby – nothing happening yet. Still being considered.

Floating Classroom – Katharine checking with Bill Foster for when the program starting up again.

Fun Day – Julie will try to reserve a spot for the DCC.

Harvest fest... .what a great conversation... animals, pumpkins, trebuchet, music, wagon rides, you name it!!

Ted is arranging a presentation on space imaging by a Cornell space scientist, tentatively December 3.

Bill, Asher Hockett and others will host the bird count warm-up Saturday December 16 at Town Hall.

Bill is organizing presentations on snails, mushrooms, lichens & moss for the Natural History Series – dates to be determined.

Danby History – discussion on how the DCC can contribute.

Concerts

Katharine is arranging a Jazz Program tentatively for early to mid-December.

Julie has organized a Turkish music program w/ Dara Anissi for Sunday Nov 12. Melis and her mother and youth will prepare Turkish food for this family event.

Scholarships

Three people waiting for grants. Plenty of funding remaining for additional grants.

Financial

Julie handed out a superb Treasurer's Report detailing year-to-date budget and spending.

Meeting Adjourned 10:10 pm

Respectfully submitted by Katharine Hunter and Bill Evans