

DCC Meeting 20180904

10:30am Town Hall

Directors Present:

Bill Evans (treasurer)
Katharine Hunter (vice president) (arrived 11:10)
Susan Franklin (president)
Ted Crane (secretary)
Cathy Darrow (arrived 11:20)
Danny Wheeler (arrived 11:45)

Directors Missing:

None.

Guests:

Ric Dietrich (arrived 12:00)
Melis Schildkraut (CCE)
Shelley Lester (CCE)
Julie Clougherty (Park, Youth Programs)

Meeting opened at 10:55.

CCE Presentation

Budget info is behind schedule. Sounds like Shelley is the only person who can put the budget info together, and she has been occupied with personal issues. Budget is promised by Thursday, September 6.

CEE wants DCC to request an additional \$5000 from the Town, to be matched by \$5000 from the County. Funds will be used to expand Youth Programming. Currently 18 hours of programming (plus 7 hours maintenance, 5 hours planning; provides 3 afterschool programs, 2-3 lunch bunches), to expand to 24 hours programming (plus 10 hours maintenance, 6 hours planning; provides 4 afterschool programs, 2-3 lunch programs, more weekend programs).

Number of youth served is known, but not currently available. CCE's reporting is targeted toward State deadlines, not DCC.

Bill asked what, if any, limits there are on the number of participants. No clear answer given, though Shelley gave a detailed description of how "too many kids" could be handled. "Stable" programs in other municipalities tend to grow in numbers of youth served, resulting in waiting lists. Anyone on waiting list gets first dibs on spaces in the next round of programming

Melis was encouraged to prepare a program for Harvest Festival. Also to get program schedule info to Ted by the 15th-of-the-month deadline.

Melis and Shelley departed at 11:30.

Susan complimented Melis' work with youth. Ted noted that the problem with the delayed budget is essentially the same as happened in the past --on a number of things-- and that CCE was asked to provide some depth to its administration so it was not relying on one person for time-sensitive deliverables. Katharine brought up Ric's past interest in developing a wider spectrum of age groups; additional funding might help this, but this direction for CCE has to come from DCC.

Bill summarized the info for Ric (when he arrived).

Ric mentioned several groups that have approached him with ideas for youth programs, such as efforts in the Danby Forest and at Jennings Pond. Ted suggested that Ric send such groups to DCC.

Providing a budget to Laura (bookkeeper) is sufficient for the time being. If the Town Board has any questions, they may ask for a presentation during October. Ric is optimistic that it will not be a problem.

Additions to the Agenda

Play it by ear, starting with presentations from CCE folks, then discussion with Ric, then the rest of the meeting.

Announcements

Susan is back in Danby, full time.

Bill continues to brag about big pumpkins, while Ted whines about little ones.

Privilege of the Floor

None.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes of August. Bill moved 'em, approved by unanimous voice vote.

Review of Recent Events

Civil War, June: Bill has mailed out checks to participants (50 for cannon, 100 for 7th Cavalry Unit NY, 100 for 148th, 250 for film, 250 for old time music, 250 for drum corps). Money from County and TCTC for the event has been received. With *some expense receipts still outstanding*, we're about \$650 ahead. Bill suggested a donation to the Church; no action taken.

Finances

The situation with Mark Gugino's Danby News supporter payments remains unresolved. The first \$100 check, covering 2017, bounced (a \$30 fee to us). Bill is holding on to the second \$100 (2018), pending a guarantee that it's good. Danny offered to go into bill collector mode.

Bill is following up on the new United Way reporting system.

Upcoming Event Planning

15-Sep-2018, 11am-3pm, Community Day

Melis is doing something; games for youngsters, age range not yet defined. Maybe we can talk to Tom Janda, have him bring trebuchet (and then leave it in the park).

14-Oct-2018, 1-5pm, Harvest Festival

Possible participants, some or all pending budget info from Bill:

- Nature Folks
- Draft Horses and Wagon
- Dave Gell tools and projects
- David Hopkins Bees
- Steve Selin
- Alyssa Wool Balls
- Music
- Danby Kids Jazz Band
- Other vendors?

Event Prospects

October, Bill will approach Kathy Hodge about a mushroom walk in early October.

20-Jan-2018, 3pm, Town Hall. Tour of the planets. No update since last meeting.

Katharine can set up a "How To Listen To Music" event with Dennis Winge. Maybe late October.

Bill may be able to get free tickets to "A Christmas Carol" again for this holiday season.

Governance

Annual Meeting in January.

Ted suggested adding Julie Clougherty to the DCC Board; she is already participating with the Youth Committee. Action deferred.

Everyone is keeping an eye out for new Directors, or for people who would volunteer to help.

Youth Grants

Bill reported that 11 grants have been issued since January. He's recently received an Email request for another one.

Youth Committee

Next Youth Committee meeting is Friday, September 14, 1:30pm, upstairs in Wegman's.

Miscellaneous

Nothing,

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:45.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be on the regular meeting date, Thursday, October 4, 7pm, in Town Hall.

Quote of the Day: A fine is a tax for doing wrong. A tax is a fine for doing well.