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RED CABOOSE LIBRARY VOLUNTEER LUNCHEON SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES January 18, 2023

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Linda Klopf, Gloria Kelly, Wendy Yager, Valerie Conaty, and Ellen Serra

OTHERS PRESENT: Karen Brown, Sally Coffett, Edna Craft, Phyllis Humphrey, Lorraine Igoe, Susan Martinelli, Steve Mitchell, Ellen Nettles, Irma Robinson, Peggi Robinson, Tony Roest, and Janice Russell.

The special meeting was called to order by Linda Klopf on Wednesday, January 18, 2023 at 12:34pm in the Small Meeting Room of the River Bend Community Building.

- I. Sign in and Welcome of Volunteers: Linda welcomed the volunteers to the luncheon.
- **II. Lunch and Social:** The volunteers enjoyed a lunch of soups, breads, and desserts.
- **III. Introduction of New Library Board Members and Volunteers:** Linda introduced Ellen Serra as a new library board member. The volunteers then introduced themselves.
- **IV. Discussion of Library Operations:** Since we are going into a new year, Linda reminded the volunteers that during their shift, it is important to encourage patrons to give donations. There are donation envelopes available in the library. Also, whenever a new patron is signed up, it should be suggested they donate.
 - Volunteers should be going through the cards to see if books have been checked out for an extended period and contact the patron.
 - Karen will be adding the inventory link to the Red Caboose Facebook page. This may make it easier for our patrons than having to access it through the town webpage or via the newsletter.
- V. Fundraising: Lorraine suggested we have a rack of our duplicate donated books that can be sold at any time to our patrons. We are also considering changing the book sale to another time to promote sales.
 - We are considering a murder mystery fundraiser in the spring. Wendy has been researching scripts and this will be discussed in more detail at our February board meeting.
- VI. What is in future for Library? Linda shared with the volunteers that she spoke at the December Council meeting about the library needing a permanent home. She reminded the Council members that it is "our turn". It is hoped the library will be made a priority this year by the town.

VII. Adjourn: Linda thanked all the volunteers for their hard work and support over the past year. A motion to adjourn was made by Board Member Wendy Yager and seconded by Board Member Linda Klopf. Motion passed unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 2:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted by:

Valerie Conaty, Secretary Date: _____

