

**ONEIDA COMMUNITY LIBRARY
BOARD QUARTERLY REPORT
July, August, September 2017**

MISSION STATEMENT: Provide for the informational needs of the Oneida Community while building a collection that reflects our unique Oneida heritage. All persons will have access to current, balanced materials, services and programs that will enrich their information, cultural and recreational needs.

NAME OF BOARD: Oneida Community Library Board

CONTACT: Dylan Benton, Chair

MEMBERS:

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Dylan Benton, Chair	2/26/16 to 8/14/19
Bridget John, Vice Chair	1/28/15 to 1/28/18
Jennifer Hill, Interim Secretary	9/14/16 to 2/28/19

BC LIAISON: David P. Jordan

MINUTES: Minutes for the quarter have not been appropriately submitted. Confusion has arisen regarding proper procedures for submitting minutes and other clerical duties. We have lost two of our longest serving board members to term end dates. I intend to correct these errors and will reach out to personnel overseeing Boards/Committees/Commissions to attend a future meeting to help us get back on track.

ACTION TAKEN:

The Board meets at the Oneida Community Library, the second Wednesday of the month at 4:30 p.m.

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE LIBRARY

July 2017: Staff continues to accommodate Summer Reading Program. Patrons incentivized with fidget spinners, Pizza Hut personal pizzas, Wal-Mart gift cards, GB Bullfrogs tickets, Skyzone passes, etc. Emphasis on STEM activities continues; airplane building, Legos,

boat build-and-launch at Library On The Lake. OPD checking in to read and build with the children whom enjoy their visits. Patron Count-4,025

August 2017: Summer Reading Program comes to close, 51 attendees enjoyed a Comic-Con celebration where mainly school supplies were given as prizes. 70 movies and two large book orders were added to Green Earth's collection causing a boost in circulation.

Rearrangement of the Early Literacy area and restock of Creation Station refreshes library and adds more freedom of movement. Chess piqued the interest of many over the summer at Green Earth and the idea of a chess club this fall has some excited. Patron Count-3,734

September 2017: Oneida Artist, Judith Jourdan, received a grant from the Oneida Nation Arts Board (funds via Wisconsin Arts Board) to study under international Brazilian Watercolorist, Fabio Cembranelli, in New Orleans, LA. Stipulations of the funds call for an exhibit in the community. Jourdan is displaying a collection of her landscape/nature scenes inside the main libraries' entrance. Scenes include Ohsnusha Lake and the scenery of our Quarry. The traveling exhibit "Native Voices: Native People's Concepts of Health & Illness" is available for public viewing on the main floor of the OCL. The U.S. National Library of Medicine collected over 100 interviews of Native Americans, Alaska Natives and Native Hawaiians who work in Health & Wellness fields on the subject of the Native perspective of health and its connection to the land and community. Through the partnership of the USNLM and the American Library Association the exhibit will continue its national tour to CMN, UW-M and other locations after the 26th of Oct. Green Earth anticipates teaching children to code for the newly acquired 3D printers during days with no school due to amount of time needed. Green Earth began hosting activities for home schoolers ranging from creative art projects to hands on STEM activities. Staff now varying activities for children to earn free time on computers. 10

minutes of reading was the old standard. New implementation of a daily rotating schedule includes: Roblox online game (promotes programming and entrepreneurship), reading, math worksheets, a random assignment of an educational website and coding, children enjoying variety. Patron Count-2,771

FINANCIAL:

TRIBAL CONTRIBUTION (4225033)

BUDGETED: 354,336

SPENT: 311,942

POS. VAR. 42,394

COLLECTION ENHANCEMENT GRANT (5225740)

BUDGETED: 7,000

SPENT: 7,000

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FEDERATED AWARDS GRANT (5225760)

BUDGETED: 20,166

SPENT: 33,409

NEG. VAR. 13,242 Check forthcoming from agency

SPECIAL EVENTS AND TRAVEL:

UPCOMING EVENTS

Stay & Play (Learning-Through-Play, Mondays 10am), Family Story Time, visits from Headstart begin, Soap Making Class (11-11-17), Library Booth @ Boo Bash (11-27-17), 30th Anniversary of Green Earth Branch Library (11-28-17, 11am-1pm)

PERSONAL COMMENTS: Info via OPD's online Crime Mapping tool indicates consistent Police presence in neighborhoods surrounding OCL and Green Earth regarding Disturbing the Peace, Theft, Drugs/Alcohol, etc. A staff member out on medical leave and a long waiting period to acquire an Emergency Temp. has lead the Library to close on Saturdays recently to the disappointment of some patrons. Hence, Directors and Board expressed concerns regarding supervision of youth in around property. Board/Staff inquiring about possibility of having a speed bump installed in front of OCL on Elm St. due to concerns of speeding in Site 1. Looking into acquiring high capacity external Hard Drive to devote to the digitization and future utilization of Elder Audio Tapes (donation of M. Genskow), Oneida History Conference DVD's and more in hopes of modernizing services and increasing the Library's online presence.