

Director's Report

March 21, 2022

Personnel

- The library is in the process of hiring 2 14 hour JLA positions. These positions have been advertised and interview conducted by Circulation Librarian Laurie Cavanaugh and Asst. Director Jada Maxwell.
- We are excited to welcome Kerry Donnelly back from a maternity leave. Kerri first day back will be March 31st. Jada, Nancy and Jean did a great job keeping up with the workflow in technical services while Kerri was caring for her child.
- I attend the Credit for Life on March 17 . The High School has developed this event for the Seniors and it hasn't been held in 2years due to COVID. It was nice to attend and it is always a great program for students and community members.



Departments

- We continue to see a steady increase of attendance to library programs.
- Librarians are starting to plan for the summer reading events. This years theme is IREAD CAMP Read beyond the Beaten path . Many great programs are being considered.
- OLLI program has returned to in-person hybrid program at the library.
- Partnering with Department of Elder Affairs on several programs this spring.
- I am very interested in partnering with Rotary to offer an hour of Joy by the Atlantic Symphony Orchestra. The ASO have performed at many of the libraries on the South Shore. COVID restrictions are lessening and more activity in the library I feel the timing is perfect for this wonderful event.
- I would also like to partner with the Launch program. It would work very similar to the May Center program.

Building

- Space planner from MBLC gave many great ideas for the YA space and many other areas of the library. I am hoping can start to implement some of the ideas by the summer.
- The library has experienced an increase of very disruptive and threatening patrons. I did reach out to the Braintree police to have the panic buttons tested and to make them aware of the situation. Reference did have to press the panic button on Saturday and the police did respond. The Young Adult Librarian would like a button added to her department and the circulation dept would like one more added to the large circulation desk. These two requests might need to be part of the space planning and new circulation desk discussion.
- The intercom system stopped working at the library. I am contacting the company for a replacement.
- New time/print management system needs to be considered for the computers on lower level. The current

- Mike McGourty is working with BELD to get a quote on having Washington Street doors automatically lock.

Highlights

- I am looking into Niche Academy to help promote our databases and videos.
- Budget deadline has not been announced but I feel it might be another lean year .

Schedule of Library Bills Payable

Warrant	02-02-22	\$19,253.37
Warrant	02-16-22	\$76.56
Warrant	03-02-22	\$22,623.30
Warrant	03-16-22	\$8,291.46

