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> March 8, 2021 7:30 PM Croton Free Library

MARCH BOARD MEETING AGENDA

- Call to order
- Approval of February 2021 Minutes
- Director's Report
 - o Emergency Fire Box Installed
 - o Second Levy Payment Deposited
 - Budget Prep Levy Confirmed
 - o Dr. Seuss Response
 - Preparing for Reopening
- Committee Reports
 - Finance Committee Approve Checks
 - o Buildings and Grounds
 - o Art Committee
 - o Croton Reads Committee
 - o Long Range Planning
 - o Safety Committee
 - o By-Laws Committee
- Association Report
 - o Online Auction
- Old Business
- New Business
 - o WLS Trustee Institute Summary (Leslie)
 - Vote: Expanding Trustees to 11.
- Public Comment
- Adjourn

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DIRECTOR'S REPORT

February 2021 Statistics

PATRON SERVICES

| | <u>2021</u> | <u>2020</u> | <u>% Change</u> |
|-------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------|
| Physical Checkouts | 4,432 | 9,138 | -51% |
| OverDrive | 2,040 | 1,005 | 103% |
| Hoopla | 229 | 131 | 75% |
| Wireless Usage | 50 | 1,073 | -95% |
| Cards Issued | 16 | 45 | -64% |
| Curbside Pick-ups | 907 | | |
| Appointments Filled: Curbside | 67% | | |

UPDATES

- Fire chief approved installation of emergency key box to the left of front door. Keys to exterior doors and Director's office inside.
- Received the check from the District Office and deposited on February 23, 2021.
- Begun constructing 2021-22 Budget. Total approved levy is \$895,664 (increase of about \$26,000). If we raised the levy last year it would have been \$890,373.
- The Dr. Seuss books in question recently have been removed from the shelves in the Children's room but are still accessible to patrons by request. This has been done, at least temporarily, to preserve the material as the sudden increase in holds could lead to the books being stolen or damaged.
- The public will probably start getting more vocal about reopening with New York easing restrictions on gatherings (i.e. performance spaces at 33% capacity starting in April). Safety Committee will need to meet before the end of the month.