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**Board of Trustees****Meeting Minutes****June 14, 2018 Regular Meeting**

Attendance: President Eleanor Schneider, Vice President Jack Bernstein, Treasurer Judy Trichon, Secretary Miryam Roddy, Mitchell Fink, Rita Kenney, and Gwenn Silver.

Others in Attendance: Library Director Sharon Moreland-Sender, Assistant Director Pam Dull, Marlee Berger representing Students at Lower Moreland High School, and Reesha Grosso representing LMSD libraries.

President Schneider called the meeting to order at 7:31 pm.

**Miryam Roddy moved to accept the May 2018 Board Meeting Minutes with the correction of the spelling of Mitchell Finks' name, Rita Kenney seconded. The motion passed.**

**Public Comment**

None

**Treasurers Report**

Mrs. Trichon reported that the finance committee has not met yet. They will try to meet over the summer. Several trends are being watched, including the donations. After a brief discussion, Mrs. Silver agreed to join the finance committee. Mrs. Moreland-Sender mentioned that a draft finance policy is available for review.

**Introduction**

Marlee Berger, a rising senior at Lower Moreland High School, introduced herself. She has been volunteering at the library since her freshman year.

**Old Business**

Mrs. Moreland-Sender met with Christopher Hoffman, Lower Moreland Township Manager, and Rob DeMartinis, Chairman of the Lower Moreland Township Board of Commissioners, to discuss the Library Board's Civic Club idea. Additional discussions will take place to organize quarterly meetings at the library to discuss subjects pertaining to the community and Township. Suggested topics include: infrastructure updates, local history, local government including both township and school district, and a view to the future. Suggested names included Township 101, Government 101, and Community Conversations. The goal is to inform Township residents and encourage them to get involved with local government and their community.

Mrs. Moreland-Sender reported that the virtual talk with Harry Elfont went very well, with special thanks to Ellen Zschunke and Alex Curzi. Using Google hangouts, both the Lower Moreland HS and the library were able to meet virtually with Mr. Elfont. About 33 students attended. Marlee Berger suggested that publicity at the High School could be stronger and offered to help promote events next year.

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Mrs. Moreland-Sender reported that Autism Awareness training went well on May 15. Frank Giordano from Lower Moreland High School provided staff with great information.

### **New Business**

Summer Reading begins June 25 and “Libraries Rock” is the theme this year. Terri Heebner, Youth Serviced librarian, has scheduled a full slate of Wednesday night programs. The Friends of Huntingdon Valley Library completely support all summer reading programs and activities. Teens and children will also have an opportunity to participate in “Summer Quest,” a list of activities they can complete to achieve a prize. Vanessa Nelson, Youth Services Assistant, has a fun slate of activities for teens including Friday afternoon Rock Band club and programs most Thursday evenings.

Mr. Rubin stated in light of the recent celebrity suicides, perhaps the library should have a suicide awareness event. Marlee Berger stated that the High School has an Embracing the Conversation Committee that may be interested in working together. Mrs. Dull stated that she met Janet Evans from American Foundation for Suicide Prevention at the last Embracing the Conversation event. Perhaps she could come and talk.

Mrs. Moreland-Sender reported that the Township’s Spring/Summer Extravaganza was a huge success. Denise Kuritz deserves recognition for organizing such a wonderful event. Attendance estimated at 450.

Mrs. Moreland-Sender advised the Board that the MCLINC Executive Director resigned. The MCLINC Board, with Mrs. Moreland-Sender as President, is working to stabilize and move forward with reorganizing and posting the job opening. Mrs. Moreland-Sender thanked Pam Dull for keeping HVL on an even keel while she is occupied with MCLINC business.

A suggestion was made to create a bookmark with information about how to volunteer in the community.

### **Fundraising Committee**

The Panel idea is dwindling as several panelists have not committed.

Mrs. Moreland-Sender noted that the Friends now have 34 Golden Friends and posed the idea of hosting a joint donor recognition party in late fall. In preparation, Mrs. Moreland-Sender will investigate insurance for the event and obtaining permission to serve alcohol at the event.

Cheryl from Smoke and Mirrors magic theater has been in touch about having a fundraiser at the Magic Theater. Mrs. Roddy will contact her.

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Mrs. Roddy shared that the Fundraising Committee would like to put out an RFP to hire a fundraiser/consultant/grant writer. The Fundraising Committee will meet to create a RFP to present to the Board.

### **School District Report**

Ms. Grosso shared that the elementary school and high school did not have a report.

Ms. Grosso is building a maker space at Murray Avenue that currently includes sewing machines and a 3D printer. She is pursuing a grant for a laser cutter.

There is no Board Meeting in July.

**Jack Bernstein moved to adjourn the meeting and Miryam Roddy seconded. The meeting was adjourned.**