
Board of Trustees**Meeting Minutes****January 11, 2018 Regular Meeting**

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

Others in attendance: Library Director Sharon Moreland-Sender, Assistant Director Pam Dull, Anne Gardiner representing the Friends of Huntingdon Valley Library, Ellen Zschunke representing the Lower Moreland School District, and Brigit Cromwell and Marlee Berger as the Lower Moreland School District Student liaisons.

The meeting was called to order by President Schneider at 7:33 pm.

Judy Trichon moved to accept the December 14, 2017 Board Meeting Minutes, Miryam Roddy seconded. The motion passed.

Treasurers Report

Mrs. Trichon sent the monthly report via email. Cash flow at the end of the year was tight. Monies were moved from Vanguard to checking to cover any overages. The Township gave us a final payment on December 29 that included over \$5,000 extra from back taxes paid. Mrs. Trichon would like the finance committee to meet to discuss reallocating some of the endowment monies.

Public Comment

None

Old Business

Mrs. Moreland-Sender reported that the 2017 Annual Appeal ended the year with 136 contributions totaling \$8,297.

Regarding the revised Board Bylaws, representatives from the State confirmed that we were established in the 1950's and are grandfathered into the State Library Code. We can have an 11 member Board. Mr. Rubin asked if Honorary Board Members could be from outside the Township as they do not vote. Mrs. Moreland-Sender shared that Upper Moreland Free Library Board committees are each chaired by a Board Member and are responsible for filling the committee with members of their own choosing. Mrs. Schneider expressed that Honorary members could be business owners in the Township or be a member of the Friends.

The Bylaws Committee presented the revised Bylaws with the number of Voting Members changed from nine (9) to eleven (11) for approval, Jeff Rubin seconded. The motion passed.

New Business

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Mrs. Moreland-Sender would like to reschedule the staff in service day that was cancelled due to snow. She is considering splitting the event between two mornings.

On January 25, David Belanger from Lower Merion Library System will lead a special Board meeting to cover the following:

Part 1 – Define space needs as related to service goals. An interactive session to work with staff, board and public officials to describe the types of spaces needed to achieve the library's service goals as they relate to the library's strategic plan. Time frame, approximately 1 hr. 15 min.

Part 2 – Describe and discuss the process for realizing space needs. Review the steps in a building project, including the role of the building consultant, architect, owner's representative and library community. Will also include a general overview of fundraising and the role of the fundraising consultant. Time frame, approximately 45 min.

Librarian's Report

LBM No 86 submitted in writing.

Mrs. Moreland-Sender shared that she and Linda Jones attended a workshop on collection challenges. They learned what to do when an item in the library collection is challenged or asked to be removed.

Mrs. Moreland-Sender would like to have the Strategic Planning Committee meet to discuss the Harwood Institute's Turning Outward Initiative supported by ALA.

Nominating Committee

The committee submitted the following slate via email:

President - Eleanor Schneider
Vice President - Jack Bernstein
Treasurer - Judy Trichon
Secretary - Miryam Roddy

Thank you to Nominating Committee.

Marketing & Fundraising Committee

Miryam Roddy has been in contact with Julian Lennon looking towards a 2019 event. Harry Elfont is still willing to have a virtual (Skype) presentation. Ms. Zschunke said she would forward the information to the High School librarian. John Ostapovich (KYW) is on board for a journalism event.

Friends Report

Mrs. Gardiner reported that the next book sales will be March 6-10 and June 12-16. The Friends Tea will be March 22, 2018. The NYC Bus Trip is May 2. An April floral arranging workshop is being arranged now. Look for more details soon.

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School District Report

Ms. Zschunke thanked Terri Heeber, Youth Services Librarian, for sending flyers over to her. Pine Road will have an author event featuring Chris Grabenstein on January 29. On February 22 and 23, Brett Fleishman a Lower Moreland High School alumni and author of Poetry will be appearing at the high school and possibly Huntingdon Valley Library. Ms. Zschunke will be bringing Kindergarten and First Grade classrooms to the library this spring. March 2 is Read Across America and the book is *Rosie Revere Engineer*. There is a volunteer opportunity for the Odyssey of the Mind group at the middle school. They need volunteers to judge events, training is provided, and anyone interested can contact Reesha Grosso, the Murray Avenue School Librarian, for more information.

Classroom cards will be set up for the three school librarians, providing access to our collection for their schools. We have been added to the school courier system. Students will be financially responsible for items checked out. Ms. Zschunke has added a foreign language section for elementary readers at Pine Road. She is finding that younger students prefer nonfiction, and has separated those books into a separate section.

High School Liaison Report

No Report

Bryn Athyn

No Report

8:40 pm Miryam Roddy moved to adjourn the meeting. Mitchell Fink seconded. The meeting was adjourned.