
Board of Trustees

Meeting Minutes

February 8, 2018 Regular Meeting

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

Others in Attendance: Library Director Sharon Moreland-Sender, Assistant Director Pam Dull, Reesha Grosso Lower Moreland School District representative, Brigid Cromwell Lower Moreland School District Student representative, and patron Stephen Blum.

President Schneider called the meeting to order at 7:34 pm.

Jeff Rubin moved to accept the January 2018 Board Meeting Minutes, Jack Bernstein seconded. The motion passed.

Treasurers Report

Mrs. Trichon sent the monthly report via email. We do not have much data for 2018 yet. We received monies from the Township in January to help with our cash flow. The 2017 audit was completed February 7.

Public Comment

None

Old Business

The final 2018 Budget was shared with adjustments, including the addition of unemployment compensation and revision of health insurance costs to actual amounts. **Jack Bernstein moved to approve the 2018 Budget as presented. Gwenn Silver seconded. The motion passed.**

New Business

The 2018 Conflict of Interest Affirmation of Compliance was circulated for Board Members to sign.

Mrs. Schneider noted that several committees would like an additional member. These include Strategic planning, Fundraising, Building Services, and Finance. A list will be available following the meeting to sign up for committees.

Librarians Report

LBM No 87 submitted in writing.

Mrs. Moreland-Sender shared that the library will be holding a BINGO fundraiser on April 14. Marilyn Melstein will be retiring in March. Township staff retrofitted some florescent lights to LED light bulbs as a test. We will pursue a PECO reimbursement program. We are grateful to the Township for making us more environmentally friendly. We have the School District librarian cards program up and running with success. Brett

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Fleishman, local poet, will be visiting the schools and also will visit the library on February 21. She will also post the new Board Job Description on the Web site.

Marketing & Fundraising

Harry Elfont virtual event with the High School is being planned. It will not be a fundraiser. Mrs. Roddy suggested the idea of having a Future of Media Event with John Ostapovich (KYW) and other local journalists. The event would cost \$10 and include light refreshments. In addition, another author event is being investigated. Mr. Rubin suggested James Patterson. Venue and pricing information is being collected. Other items discussed included a beer tasting at Crooked Eye Brewery and a Phillies Night.

Strategic Planning Committee

The committee will meet to begin our new Strategic plan for 2019-2021. Mrs. Moreland-Sender explained that the library will use a process called Turning Outward: A Listening Campaign. The process involves interviewing the community with four questions about how residents see the community. The questions are included in the Board packet. This process and the “public knowledge” gathered will help us to decide where we want to go in the next three years. The pilot Community Conversation will be with the Board in March. Other groups to be invited to participate include library users, the Board of Commissioners, School Board, Fire Company, HVAA, PTA, Diversity Committee, Lower Moreland Business Association, and local churches. A Special Board Meeting devoted to Strategic Planning will be planned in the future.

Friends Report

The Friends Tea will be March 22, 2018 and is sold out. The NYC Bus Trip is May 2 and a second bus has been added.

School District Report

Ms. Grosso reported that local poet Brett Fleishman would be visiting the schools on February 21 and then coming to the library for two events in the evening. February 9 is a Creative Cafe event at Barnes and Noble from 6-8 pm. Murray Avenue School has a new chrome book initiative, with one for each student at the school. This year the students are leaving the chrome books at the school at night. The students and teachers are using Google classroom to communicate assignments. The Library may investigate loaning Hot Spots in support of this initiative.

High School Liaison Report

No Report

Bryn Athyn

No Report

8:25 pm Jack Bernstein moved to adjourn the meeting. Miryam Roddy seconded. The meeting was adjourned.