
Board of Trustees

Meeting Minutes November 14, 2019

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

Others in Attendance: Library Director Sharon Moreland-Sender, Assistant Director Pam Dull, John D'Ascenzo prospective Board Member.

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

Miryam Roddy moved to accept the October 2019 Board Meeting Minutes and Rita Kenney seconded. The motion passed.

Dr. John D'Ascenzo introduced himself and gave a brief synopsis of his resume. He taught in the Philadelphia School District. After retiring, he went back to school and earned his Doctor of Management in Organizational Leadership in Business. He is currently on the Board of the Bryn Athyn Orchestra and works with Gwynedd Mercy University as a Student teacher supervisor. He is interested in helping to support the mission of the library and to help as a grant writer.

Miryam Roddy motioned that the Board extend an offer to John D'Ascenzo to join the Huntingdon Valley Library Board of Trustees to fill the vacancy left by Gwenn Silver. Jeff Rubin seconded. The motion passed.

Mr. D'Ascenzo was welcomed to the Library Board and will begin with an orientation provided by Library Director Sharon Moreland-Sender.

Treasurers Report

Mrs. Trichon sent the report via email. We are looking towards year-end and the final budget being approved by the Township. We are also waiting on reimbursement for a portion of the electric bill from the Township.

Mrs. Moreland-Sender would like to move the Reiter Bequest from our operation fund at TD Bank to its own fund at Huntingdon Valley Bank. The Reiter Bequest will be used for speaker series and building improvements. Mrs. Trichon and Mr. Fink agree that this is a good idea.

Old Business

Mrs. Moreland-Sender reported that the Annual appeal has gone out to all former donors and staff are handing it out at the desk. To date, we have had over 100 people donate and \$4,800 raised. There has also been a verbal pledge for the Financial Times.

Mrs. Schneider noted that Philadelphia Libraries may go fine free.

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New Business

- **LBM 111 - Bulletin Board Policy-** Currently we do not have a Bulletin Board policy, but one is included in the Board packet for review. Please send any changes or updates to Sharon Moreland-Sender before the next board meeting.
- Floor refinishing and instillation will take place in December. We are still waiting for the final details from the Township. The library may have to close for a day while the hallway is retiled.
- Sharon Moreland-Sender reported that she has applied to Giant food store's Bags 4 My Cause A portion of all reusable bags sold is given back to the Cause.
- Sharon Moreland-Sender reported that the Friends approved the Wish List and thanked them for their ongoing support.

LBM 112 - Director's Report- Submitted in writing. October was extremely busy. We hosted a Haunted Library and Movie Night Under the Stars. We also participated in Trunk or Treat and the Fire Prevention Open house. See Department Head reports for details. We closed out the month with a Thank you party for our Friends.

Mrs. Trichon asked about teen outreach. Mrs. Moreland-Sender reported that many are coming over after school to complete homework and volunteer. We have ordered new furniture for the teen area with an unexpected \$10,000 gift from the Friends. Our next focus may be programming for Adults with special needs.

Public Comment

None

Strategic Planning Committee

The committee met November 13. Mrs. Moreland-Sender commended the Board on the quality of the 2016 Strategic Plan. All of the goals and main objectives remain, with new action steps and tasks added for the next plan. Under the objective to serve "a vital and active role in the lives of Lower Moreland Residents," Mrs. Schneider suggested we host a new resident reception. A new Innovation task will be to develop a coordinated Technology Plan with the School District. A new goal for Participation is to "Develop a strong, involved staff," with action steps related to training opportunities, a workforce audit, and preparing strategies for an increase in the minimum wage.

Friends Report

No Report

School District Report

No Report

Student Liaison Report

No Report

8:39pm Miryam Roddy moved to Adjourn the meeting. Mitchell Fink Seconded.