
Board of Trustees

Meeting Minutes January 9, 2020

Attendance: President Eleanor Schneider, Vice-President Jack Bernstein, Secretary Miryam Roddy, John D'Ascenzo, Jeff Rubin, Rita Kenney, Mitchell Fink.

Others in Attendance: Library Director Sharon Moreland-Sender, Assistant Director Pam Dull.

President Schneider called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

Jeff Rubin made a motion to accept the November Board Meeting Minutes and December Board Notes. Miryam Roddy seconded. The motion passed.

Treasurers Report

Mrs. Trichon will send the report via email. The bookkeeper will be in January 10 to reconcile 2019. Mrs. Dull deposited the final tax disbursement from the Township in December. Mrs. Moreland-Sender is to coordinate a presentation by Longley insurance to the Board after consulting with Mrs. Trichon.

Old Business

Jack Bernstein made a motion to ratify the e-votes to pass LBM 111-Bulletin Board Policy, LBM 113-2020 Holiday Schedule, the 2020 Library Budget, and the Fundraising Study Request for Proposals. John D'Ascenzo seconded. The motion passed.

New Business

The 2020 Library Budget Memorandum from the Township is included in the Board packet. It includes \$25,000 for new sidewalks. This upgrade will address trip hazards and improve the library grounds. Our gratitude to the Township.

Mrs. Moreland-Sender reported that she and Mrs. Dull went to the Community Design Collaborative wrap-up meeting in Philadelphia and received the final sketches and cost estimates. The total estimated cost for renovations is \$3.9 million dollars, with infrastructure costs estimated to be \$1.8 million. Volunteers from the Collaborative would like to make a final presentation to Task Force members and the community. The in-kind donation of the Community Design Collaborative design volunteers time came to \$58,000. Thank you to the volunteers from the Collaborative for their time and expertise.

Mrs. Moreland-Sender advised the Board about the SECURE Act, Setting Every Community Up for Retirement Enhancement. This could impact retirement benefits for staff and impact the budget. Mrs. Schneider suggested utilizing an actuary to help with projections.

Mrs. Moreland-Sender reported that the new furniture provided by a \$10,000 gift from the Friends arrived, except for the teen 'egg' chairs.

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Mrs. Moreland-Sender reported that the library has exceeded the 12% materials expenditure required to receive state aid.

Mrs. Moreland-Sender thanked the Board and staff for the flowers delivered for her mother's funeral.

Jeff Rubin thanked Steve Woerner, Lower Moreland Township Director of Public Works, for coordinating the new library floors in the hall and Community room and for helping with new furniture delivery.

Public Comment

None

Nominating Committee

Mr. Rubin reported that the Nominating Committee is presenting the following slate of officers to be voted upon at the Annual Meeting in February.

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

Strategic Planning Committee

The Strategic plan needs to be prioritized and have dates added. It will be presented at the Annual Meeting.

Dr. D'Ascenzo has agreed to serve on the following committees: Marketing, Fundraising, and Strategic Planning.

Friends Report

No Report

School District Report

No Report. Mrs. Schneider recommended we reach out to Dr. Davidheiser for a meeting to update him on our new strategic plan and program ideas.

Student Liaison Report

No Report

Mrs. Schneider requested that we take a new Board picture for the Web site at the Feb. 13 annual meeting.

8:06 pm Miryam Roddy made a motion to Adjourn the meeting. Rita Kenney seconded.