
Board of Trustees

Meeting Minutes. Meeting held via Zoom
December 10, 2020

Attendance: Jack Bernstein, President; Miryam Roddy, Secretary; Judy Trichon, Treasurer; Mitchell Fink; John D’Ascenzo; Jeff Rubin, Pam Dull, Library Director; Christy DeMallie, Library Assistant Director; Denise Kuritz, Lower Moreland Township Commissioner; Linda Braun, Friends Liaison.

Meeting called to order by Mr. Bernstein at 7:33 pm.
Mr. Bernstein recognized his new position as Acting President.

Mr. Rubin made a motion to approve November 2020 Board meeting minutes. Ms. Roddy seconded the motion. All voted in favor of accepting the minutes.

Treasurers Report

Submitted in writing

- PPE provided stability, next year may be tougher.
- State funding has gone through with flat funding.
- Still waiting on PPE relief response.
- Cares grant has gone through.

Public Comment

None

Old Business

- 2021 Budget - Ms. Dull will re-figure the budget due to the library receiving flat funding from the state which is more than we budgeted for.
- Fine free – Continues during Covid closures. Ms. Dull discussed the financial impact of fine free on patrons and the library. She clarified that fine free applies only to overdue fines, not lost items. Special items such as hotspots, museum passes, and robots could be exempt from fine free status.

New Business

- Holiday schedule has been submitted. Ms. Roddy made a motion to approve the 2021 holiday schedule, Ms. Trichon seconded. All approved, motion passed.
- Cares Act policies – Federal Cares Grant requires certain policies, Ms. Dull is working on ensuring the library has these policies. They will be presented at the next board meeting for approval.

Director’s Report

- Submitted in writing

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- The library's current contactless pickup conditions meet the Governor's stay at home advisory, so the library can continue to provide this service to patrons.
- Adult volunteers are continuing to process books at home.
- Beth has been doing a great job with teen volunteers so that high school students can earn their NHS requirements. The Teen Advisory Group is currently full.
- Annual appeal has gone out – currently over \$6000 received.
- PA Forward – Ms. DeMallie presented on the PA Forward Star Program. At his point, the library has achieved 4 out of 5 Silver Stars and is working towards the 5th Silver Star and attempting to “Go for the Gold” by the end of the year.
- Ms. Dull noted that the Job Interview room received recognition at the Chamber of Commerce meeting.

Committee Reports

- Nominating Committee met virtually. The proposed slate will be voted on in January. The proposed slate includes: Mr. Bernstein, President; Ms. Roddy, Vice President; Judy Trichon, Treasurer; Dr. John D'Ascenzo, Executive Secretary. Alternative nominees can be raised at the next meeting.
- Dr. D'Ascenzo is working on trying to get entertainment from the Bryn Athyn orchestra as a fundraiser (post Covid) for both the library and Friends.

Liaison Reports

Ms. Braun reported that many people are continuing to join Friends of Huntingdon Valley Library. The recent outdoor Book Bonanza was successful and the next one is scheduled December 19th. Online book discussions continue, as do virtual meetings.

Executive Board

Met to discuss personnel.

**Motion to adjourn meeting made by Ms. Roddy and seconded by Mr. Fink.
Meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm. Next meeting is January 14.**