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Board of Trustees

## Annual Meeting

Annual Board Meeting Minutes.  
February 10, 2022

**Attendance:** Jack Bernstein, President; Miryam Roddy, Vice-President; Judy Trichon, Treasurer; John D'Ascenzo, Secretary; Jeff Rubin; Mitchel Fink; Lindsay Griffith; Pam Dull, Library Director; Christy DeMallie, Assistant Director; Isabella Ricciardi, Lower Moreland High School (LMHS) Student Liaison; Niamh Healy, LMHS Student Liaison; Will Bond, LMHS Student Liaison; Michelle Weinstein, Friends Liaison.

Meeting called to order by Mr. Bernstein at 7:03 pm.

**Ms. Trichon made a motion to approve the Annual Board meeting minutes from February 11, 2021. Ms. Roddy seconded the motion. Motion passed.**

### **President's Annual Review**

Mr. Bernstein noted that in 2021, despite the ongoing pandemic, Huntingdon Valley Library had several notable successes. Some of these include:

- Becoming one of the first fine-free libraries in Montgomery County,
- Receiving a Gold Star Library status from the Pennsylvania Library Association,
- Increasing staff hourly wages, allowing us to attract and keep qualified library workers,
- Our Job Interview Room was highlighted at a Township Managers Meeting as an innovative new service,
- Virtual offerings and Make and Take kits continue to foster a sense of community,
- During times of low Covid positivity rates, the library returned to pre-Covid numbers.

Mr. Bernstein thanked the Friends of Huntingdon Valley Library for their support, including:

- Sponsoring library events,
- Repainting the outdoor sign,
- Offering T-Mobile Hot Spots and Museum Passes for patron use,
- New display furniture.

Huntingdon Valley Library continues to meet Strategic Planning goals and to seek out new ways to meet our vision statement where: Huntingdon Valley Library is a forward thinking, essential center of learning and community.

### **Library Director's Annual Review**

Mrs. Dull thanked the Library Board for their support of Huntingdon Valley Library and of the library staff. She also thanked the staff for their professionalism and service mentality, and the Friends of Huntingdon Library for their support of the library's programs, including the very successful Summer Reading Program.

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Mrs. Dull also presented Huntingdon Valley highlights of 2021:

- This year, Mrs. Dull and Huntingdon Valley Library were featured on NBC News: Stories That Matter.
- The library received several grants this year, including a Tinkering – LSTA grant and the Montco Strong resiliency grant.
- State aid remains at \$40,260
- The annual appeal raised \$13,000.

**Nominating Committee 2022 Nominations:**

President, Jack Bernstein  
Vice-President, Miryam Roddy  
Treasurer, Judy Trichon  
Secretary, John D'Ascenzo

There being no additional nominations from the floor, Mr. Bernstein closed nominations. **Mr. Rubin made a motion to accept the nominations of the nominating committee. Dr. D'Ascenzo seconded the motion. Motion passed.**

**Finance Committee**

Ms. Trichon commented that the library's needs are being addressed, with help from the grants applied for by Mrs. Dull and members of the library staff. She also noted how pleased she is with the level of customer service she receives from the staff at the library. The financial report will look slightly skewed again, due to funding coming in late from the township. The library is currently \$9,000 in the black.

**Committee Assignments Currently:**

- Nominating Committee:** Jeff Rubin (Chair), Miryam Roddy and Mitchell Fink
- Strategic Planning Committee:** Miryam Roddy (Chair), Jeff Rubin, John D'Ascenzo, Judy Trichon
- Marketing and Fundraising:** John D'Ascenzo (Chair), Judy Trichon, Miryam Roddy, Lindsay Griffin, Joe Canale
- Personnel:** Miryam Roddy (Chair), Jack Bernstein, John D'Ascenzo
- Building Services and Contracts:** Lindsay Griffin (Chair), Jack Bernstein, Mitchell Fink, Joe Canale
- Bylaws:** Jack Bernstein (Chair), John D'Ascenzo
- Finance:** Judy Trichon (Chair), Jack Bernstein, Jeff Rubin, Mitchell Fink
- Collection Development:** (Ad Hoc established April 2016) Jack Bernstein, Judy Trichon

**Adjournment:**

**Motion to adjourn meeting made by Dr. D'Ascenzo and seconded by Mr. Fink. Meeting adjourned at 7:21 pm. Next annual meeting is February 9, 2023.**