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**Board of Trustees****Annual Meeting**

Annual Board Meeting Minutes.  
February 9, 2023

**Attendance:** Jack Bernstein, President; Miryam Roddy, Vice-President; Judy Trichon, Treasurer; Jeff Rubin, Secretary; Mitchel Fink; Lindsay Griffith; Joe Canale, LMT Supervisor, Pam Dull, Library Director; Sam Pharo, Assistant Director; Isabella Ricciardi, Lower Moreland High School (LMHS) Student Liaison; Ayden Kerrigan, LMHS Student Liaison; Michelle Weinstein, Friends Liaison, Karen Schwartz, Friends Liaison.

Meeting called to order by Mr. Bernstein at 7:01 pm.

**Mrs. Roddy made a motion to approve the Annual Board meeting minutes from February 10, 2022. Mrs. Griffith seconded the motion. Motion passed.**

**President's Annual Review**

We have had a great year, despite the continuing difficulties of COVID.

The library ended the year roughly \$12,000 under budget.

Patron traffic is way up and the library is well staffed.

Challenges have included a water heater leak and window leaks in the main library. The Friends Bookroom has been restored after the water heater leak and the windows in the main library were repaired. New carpet and window shades were installed.

We have welcomed a large teen contingent, alongside an influx of adult usage, and our cooperative programs with the LMHS are successful.

Lower Moreland Township has agreed to increase the library's funding.

In conclusion, the state of the library is good.

**Library Director's Annual Review**

The annual report is attached.

Additional highlights:

- The staff made real inroads with cooperative programming, including Valley Christian School and LM Schools.
- The robotics program was very successful.
- Our Youth Services Assistant Beth is juggling 75 teen volunteers with TAB.
- Statistics are up across the board as the library is being used as a community resource and center.
- 2022 was a very good year and we have high hopes for 2023

**Nominating Committee 2023 Nominations:**

Treasurer's office development – Mr. Bernstein proposed having two treasurers, with each functioning as co-treasurer. The nominating committee then proposed the following slate of officers:

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President, Jack Bernstein  
Vice-President, Miryam Roddy  
Co-Treasurer, Judy Trichon  
Co-Treasurer, Lindsay Griffith  
Secretary, Jeffrey Rubin

There being no additional nominations from the floor, Mr. Bernstein closed nominations. **Mr. Bernstein made a motion to accept the nominations of the nominating committee. Mrs. Roddy seconded the motion. Motion passed.**

Mr. Bernstein also spoke of the Board being in violation of its own bylaws; the makeup of the Board is to be addressed in the general meeting immediately following this Annual meeting.

**Mr. Rubin made a motion to accept the Board as is. Mr. Bernstein seconded the motion. Motion passed.**

**Finance Committee**

1. Judy praised the Director and the library for the amazing job they do. She spoke warmly of the library's culture and how the cooperative nature of the library is very beneficial to the community.
2. It is a return to a new normal, as reflected in the finance report. New revenues come with new expenses even as donations are increasing. We are able to stabilize our staffing needs, MCLINC requires more funding but we are functioning nicely.
3. 2022 was difficult financially but the library's investments have shown an annualized return of 3-5% over 10 years.
4. Mr. Bernstein pointed out this library has become the community center for Lower Moreland and credits the Director with this transformation. He also thanked the Friends for their generous support.

**Committee Assignments Currently:**

- a. **Nominating Committee:** Jeff Rubin (Chair), Miryam Roddy and Mitchell Fink
- b. **Strategic Planning Committee:** Miryam Roddy (Chair), Jeff Rubin, Judy Trichon
- c. **Marketing and Fundraising:** Lindsay Griffith (Chair), Judy Trichon, Miryam Roddy
- d. **Personnel:** Miryam Roddy (Chair), Jack Bernstein
- e. **Building Services and Contracts:** Jack Bernstein (Chair), Mitchell Fink, Lindsay Griffith, Joe Canale
- f. **Bylaws:** Jack Bernstein (Chair), Mitchell Fink

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g. **Finance:** Judy Trichon (Co-Chair), Lindsay Griffith, Jack Bernstein, Jeff Rubin, Mitchell Fink

h. **Collection Development:** (Ad Hoc established April 2016) Jack Bernstein, Judy Trichon

**Adjournment:**

**Motion to adjourn meeting made by Ms. Roddy and seconded by Mr. Fink.**

**Meeting adjourned at 7:21 pm. Next annual meeting is February 8, 2024.**