

The Community Library
Board of Trustees Meeting
May 9, 2019

Call to Order:

As the President and Vice President were excused, Linda Carpenter called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. Present: Ruth Ashworth, Fred Barnes, Harriet Berard, Linda Carpenter, Virginia Downs, Dee Neary, Jerry Peters, John Scott, Devon Hedges. Excused: Ken Hotopp, Janet Sand, Julia Walter.

Minutes:

Mr. Peters made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Neary, and was unanimously approved to accept the April 2019 minutes.

Communications:

Mr. Peters announced that he and his wife will be relocating to Massachusetts in February. Thus, his position on the board will be vacant.

Director's Report:

Mr. Hedges informed the trustees that the MVLS Golf Tournament will take place May 17 at the Mohawk Golf Club.

Mr. Hedges announced that at specific events there will be Library Nights at SPAC. Admission prices will be reduced by showing your library card.

Mr. Hedges presented an overview of NYSED's Annual Report for Public and Association Libraries 2018. Mr. Peters made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Neary, and was unanimously approved to accept this report.

Treasurer's Report:

The trustees reviewed the current treasurer's report. Mr. Peters presented the bills. After each trustee reviewed the bills, Mr. Peters made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Ashworth, and was unanimously approved to pay the bills.

Committee Reports:

Facilities:

Mrs. Ashworth thanked the trustees for the morning spent performing some cleaning chores to improve the library's appearance.

Personnel:

Mr. Hedges explained the premium reduction from CDPHP. After a brief discussion, Mr. Peters made a motion, seconded by Mr. Barnes, and was unanimously approved to pass on the reduction to Mr. Hedges.

Policies:

Mr. Hedges outlined the additions to the Code of Ethics for Trustees. Mr. Barnes presented the updated policy which was unanimously approved.

Board Development:

Mrs. Neary announced the committee would meet May 11 to develop a slate of officers for 2019-2020. Mrs. Neary is finalizing the survey for trustees.

Long Range Plan Implementation:

The committee is requesting a change in status from ad hoc to a standing committee. Mrs. Berard, the historian, was asked to research details pertaining to the one hundred anniversary of the library.

It was suggested that the outdoor signage updates become the responsibility of the facility committee.

Building Committee:

Mr. Hedges met with representatives from the Historical District to review the new ramp and entry plans.

Two grants will be used for the implementation of this improvement.

Mr. Mays will be meeting with the committee with the final plans.

New Business:

Mrs. Berard made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Neary, and was unanimously approved to accept Mr. John Scott as a new trustee.

Mr. Peters reminded the trustees that Mr. Fred Barnes and Mr. John Scott are write-in candidates May 21.

Important Dates:

May 21 - School Budget Vote

June 13 - 1:00 p.m. Regular board meeting

Adjournment:

Mr. Peters made a motion, seconded by Mrs. Neary, and was unanimously approved to adjourn at 1:56 p.m.

Submitted by Virginia Downs