

Spring Lake Library Board of Trustees Meeting

Wednesday, March 8, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 5:05pm

Harry Zarb, Bob Drasheff, Susan Burrus, Syd Whalley, Cyndee Baumgartner, Megan Rigney, Jen Winn & Christine Mawn were in attendance

Motion to approve the minutes was made by Susan, seconded by Cyndee. Minutes were approved.

We welcomed Syd Whalley as Spring Lake Council Liason!

-after discussion with Brian Dempsey, it was concluded that the SL Library Board does not need a treasurer.

-Dr Boccuti, superintendent of HW Mountz school, in accordance with NJ Library Charter, was invited to attend our meetings. He has accepted and will attend our May meeting. Mr Dougherty, principal of St Catharine's was also invited, and verbally declined, though he remains interested in continuing a positive relationship with our library. Megan will follow up and ask if there is anyone he would like to send in his place.

-a discussion about possibly increasing the amount of rent the Library pays to the Community House is ongoing.

-a motion was made by Bob, seconded by Christine, to create an Ad Hoc Personnel and Policy Committee to address protocol, salaries, job descriptions, contracts, etc. The motion passed. The committee will be headed by Cyndee, with assistance from Jen and Susan.

Janet's Report:

-contractor revealed a bigger problem than expected in the floor. As a result, the job cost \$450 more than expected, for a total of \$1700 (\$200 more than approved). The job is now complete!

-Janet will begin using Quickbooks for her bookkeeping

-new carpet was installed this week and looks fantastic. Several volunteers helped to move books.

-program updates include dates for Adriana Trigiani, Erin Palinski (Age In Reverse), Rick Peterson (Met's pitching coach, motivational speaker), Louis Picone (The President is Dead), Sensibilities & Capt. Al Fuentes (9/11 survivor). See Janet's attached report for details.

-Stan Fischler (3/12) only has 11 guest interested. There has been heavy advertising on this. Board decided to wait one more week before making a decision to postpone.

-Some months, circulation goes down despite the library seeming busier than ever. To understand this better, Janet will now keep track of patrons who come in to read periodicals, use computers, etc, so we can better appreciate exactly how we are serving our community.

Andrea's Report: (*see attached for details)

-all paid programs have been well attended (Bridge, SAT, Meditation, etc.)

-discussing possibilities for classical drawing, cellphone photog, Mahjong, Chess Club, Fun with Food, college essay writing, summer Art Club, essential oils and painting/pottery nights.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:44

Next meeting is Wednesday, May 10, 2017 at 5pm