

**Wenonah Free Public Library
Board of Trustees Reorganization and Regular Meeting Minutes
January 5, 2022**

Attendees: Michelle Contarino, John Dominy, Ellen Hummel, Linda Helmbrecht, Carol Newman and Anne Zuber.
Absent: Jessica Doheny, Anna Kmiec. Deb Cline arrived at 7:09.

M. Contarino opened the meeting at 7:01 at which time the Open Public Meeting Notice was read:
In compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act of the State of New Jersey, notification of this meeting has been sent to The South Jersey Times and posted on our webpage and on the bulletin board in the library.

Reorganization

- The Board approved a resolution to re-elect the existing slate of officers: President Michelle Contarino, Secretary Ellen Hummel and Treasurer Carol Newman (Motion by J. Dominy/Seconded by L. Helmbrecht/All present in favor. D. Cline absent)
- Mayor Dominy conducted the swearing in of Trustee Deb Cline whose new term expires on December 31, 2026

Regular Meeting

Read and approve

- The Board approved the Minutes from the October 6, 2021 meeting (Motion by C. Newman/Seconded by D. Cline/All in favor except M Contarino and J. Dominy abstain), the November 15, 2021 meeting (Motion by C. Newman/Seconded by D. Cline/All in favor except J. Dominy, L. Helmbrecht and C. Newman abstain) and the December 1, 2021 meeting (Motion by C. Newman/Seconded by D. Cline/All in favor)
- Treasurer's report: Bank balances as of January 5, 2022 - \$6,680.93 in checking account and \$19,021.42 in savings.
- The Board approved the bills lists for December 2021 (Motion by L Helmbrecht/Seconded by E. Hummel/All in favor).

Librarian Report

December 2021 Stats

AF-167 ANF-29 JF-72 JNF-10 Vid-8 Aud-0 eBook/Audio Downloads-48 + JC/ILL 23 Total = 357

EDS – 80 sessions

Hoopla - 2 patrons set up accounts, 11 items borrowed, \$24.80 used in December

Type breakdown for hoopla – 4 audiobooks, 2 eBooks, 4 movies and 1 TV show.

2021 Full-Year Stats

- Patron visits 5224
- Physical items borrowed-4148, JerseyCat requests filled-225, Of 112 attempts to borrow for library patrons, 29 were filled
- Overdrive items downloaded-910
- Hoopla-26 patrons, 132 unique titles, \$304.22 spent from \$1000 initial investment.
- Ebsco interface sessions-890
- Web service interactions-2087.

See attached report.

Old Business

- FURever As Friends S.M.I.L.E. program volunteers are confirmed to continue into 2022. January 3rd visit was cancelled due to weather. One date confirmed for February.
- Story time librarian Mike Matalavage changed story time to Wednesday afternoons at 4:00. Still requiring masks and sending craft home. Very poor attendance continues. Anne will ask him to poll families about reasons and reconsider the time. He is assembling an email contact list for story time families.

- Bee colony will be removed in the spring.
- Anne is still working on low-cost wifi hotspot set up to use for programs at the Train Station Community Center. Target is for January Woman's Club Livestream Author Event. Anne met with someone from Comcast and will go to Comcast store for further details.
- Regarding new lighting, D. Cline met with third electrician and is expecting a quote within the week.

New Business

- Anne provided the library's Year in Review report that was submitted to Wenonah Borough Council.
- Anne will advertise for a new staff person to take over some library desk hours and coordinate programming.
- Michelle Dickson has suggested a photography fundraiser in which family pictures are taken on library grounds.

Next meeting, February 2, 2022.

2022 meeting dates

1/5/22, 2/2/22, 3/2/22, 4/6/22, 5/4/22, 6/1/22, 7/6/22, 8/3/22, 9/7/22, 10/5/22, 11/2/22, 12/7/22.