

Present: John Dominy, Anne Zuber, Carol Newman, Cindy Norris, Meghan Walsh and Ellen Hummel. Absent: Michelle Contarino, Carol Murphy/Kristine Height

Meeting was called to order by John Dominy at 7:13 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.

Minutes from the January Board Meeting were approved (Newman motion/Walsh second, all present in favor). Minutes from the April Board Meeting were approved (Norris motion/Newman second, all present in favor).

Treasurer Carol Newman reported that the checking account balance was \$5997.43 and the savings account balance was \$32,325.62 as of May 1, 2019. Bills list was approved (Hummel motion/Norris second /All present in favor.)

Second read of Rates of Pay Resolution (2019-1). (Dominy motion/Newman second/All present in favor.)

Librarian Report

Apr 2019: AF-195 ANF-30 JF-128 JNF-19 Vid-101 Aud- 4 eBook/Audio Downloads-95 + JC/ILL 49 Total = 621
EDS Feb=30 Mar=35 April-not available at time of meeting

Apr 2018: AF-186 ANF-45 JF-106 JNF-37 Vid-135 Aud-5 = 514 + eBook/Audio Downloads-60 + JerseyCat-39
Total = 613

Old Business

- Gutter guard install by Emmons scheduled for Monday 5/6/19. Anne confirmed no staff needed to be present.
- Tischler grant application awarded and had to be spent by 4/30/2019. See webpage for access to HeritageQuest.com. Seventy-six books were ordered for Classic Fiction section (includes reprints and used books) and arriving daily. Report sent to State Library. Plaque is in place.
- Progress on handicapped parking space. Trees have been cut down. Borough council had second reading of parking ordinance in April.
- Got-Ya Pest Control notified regarding ground bees on Clinton side of library.
- We confirmed that the board had re-voted all votes taken at meetings before the Open Meeting announcement appeared in the South Jersey Times.
- FUREver As Friends S.M.I.L.E. program attendance has been record breaking. Next session on Monday, 5/6 to be offered at the Ice Cream Social at Wenonah Elementary School.

New Business

- Summer Reading Program (SRP) planning underway. Karel Black and Michelle Dickson are to plan and present. The closing program has been booked.
- SAT classes began. Waiting lists were started. 4/21 had 13 in attendance and 4/30 had 9. Instructor seemed pleased.
- Committee formed to select furniture for upstairs seating area. Ellen & Meghan reported that the committee met with a designer from Bellia but cost of recommended furniture was too high. It was proposed that the committee work with a budget of \$3,000. May have about \$800 from donations in Pat Sole's memory.
- It was suggested that the library try to have a group work for Clean Communities Day in order to raise money.
- April Used Book Sale netted 387.75 for Friends of the Library.
- Anne suggested it may be time to revisit replacing downstairs light fixtures. Their age is making continued repairs impractical.
- Discussed strategic plan process and agreed to have discussion of ways to increase traffic at next board meeting.
- Local author, Bryon MacWilliams, is willing to have an event to showcase his new title "Girl in the Haystack" a junior fiction novel based on true events. He believes the Holocaust survivor that is the main character of his book

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may be willing to participate. Possibly in May or June. We have ordered the book to preview it. Ellen O'Laughlin is working this out. Carl Hausman was suggested for a future author event.

- Woman's Club approached library to participate in the Thursday Farmer's Markets this summer in the park. Considering story time and/or demonstration of online services. Demo of Heritage Quest was proposed. Issue is who will staff this event.
- Borough clerk reported complaint about the condition of the StoryWalk boards around the park. Ron Zuber inspected them and offered to replace the hardware and repaint them in a more nature friendly color. Involved \$120 worth of materials and paint.
- Shall we revisit the idea of a shed to store tables and discarded books for Used Book Sales?
- Shall we make a focused effort to grow our Friends of the Library group to help with issues like maintaining StoryWalk and managing Used Book Sales? After some discussion, this topic was deferred to next month's discussion of the strategic plan. Suggestions to be discussed further included adding a page about Friends of the Library to the Library website and cross advertising Friends membership with other library events.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:02 (Norris motion/Newman second/All present in favor)

~ Library Board Meetings

1/5/19 Reorg 10:00 AM 2/6/19 3/6/19 4/3/19 5/1/19 6/5/19 8/7/19 9/4/19 10/2/19 11/6/19 7:00pm

Next meeting, June 5, 2019, 7:00 p.m.