



**Hershey Public Library  
Board of Directors Meeting  
July 20, 2010**

**MINUTES**

**ATTENDANCE**

Members present: Rosemary Marino, President; Rita Hunt Smith, Children & Youth Services Librarian; John Abel, Diana Briselli, Kelly Fedeli, Anne Reeves

Friends Representative: Jeanette Murray

Absent: Mike Pries, Michele Taylor

**CALL TO ORDER**

Rosemary Marino, President, called the meeting to order at 7:10 pm.

It was noted that Rita Smith, Children & Youth Services Librarian, was present in the absence of Barbara Ellis, Library Director.

**DISTINGUISHED VOLUNTEER**

Rita Smith introduced Stephanie Arnold chosen by the library staff to receive this season's award as the HPL Summer 2010 Distinguished Volunteer. Stephanie dedicates countless hours in the Children's Division. The library and the community are grateful the contribution Stephanie makes on a weekly basis, shelving and serving children and adults looking for materials.

**MINUTES**

**Motion:** A motion to approve the Minutes of the June 15<sup>th</sup> meeting was made by Anne Reeves and seconded by John Abel. Diana abstained because of her absence at the last meeting. The Minutes were unanimously approved.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

The financial report ending June 30, 2010 was distributed. Rita answered questions that were asked. She noted that the State budget has been passed. Libraries are still struggling. Rita expressed that the library is appreciative of the township's support.

**COMMUNICATION**

- A communication was shared in reference to the book PUSH not being appropriate to be in the library for circulation. Barbara Ellis responded with a very positive letter.
- Also a note from a patron about filtering our internet more thoroughly, and the usage of the internet by some patrons. Barbara Ellis responded with an informative letter to the patron.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Rita noted highlights of the Director's Report.

- Joyce Seno of the Larson Design Group has been chosen (and approved by the BOS ) to be the designer for the library redesign project.
- We are losing 2 employees. Katy Mahraj (IT Dept.) and Leslie Abcouwer (Reference). Applications are being accepted for both positions.
- The Summer Reading Program is going strong with a record high registration of 1,233. This has been attributed to patrons being able to use the computer to register.

## **REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES**

### **Friends**

Jeanette Murray reported the Annual Book Sale begins August 7<sup>th</sup> for the public. Friends of the Library can shop Friday, August 6, 6 pm to 9 pm.

### **Endowment Trust**

Charles Leedecker was not present. The Endowment Trust meets Monday, the 26<sup>th</sup>.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Report on Redesign Project**

Joyce Seno of the Larson Design Group (LDG) met with the Library Redesign Committee. She has taken pictures, and shared her other experiences with design projects with the committee. Diana noted that the staff committee is very involved in the planning. The Board will be kept informed of the progress of the project.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion:** A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Kelly, seconded by Anne. The meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

## **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Library Board of Directors will be Tuesday, August 17, 7 p.m. at the Hershey Public Library.

Submitted by

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