



**Hershey Public Library  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Tuesday, February 17, 2009**

**MINUTES**

**ATTENDANCE**

Members present: Rosemary Marino, President; Barbara Ellis, Library Director; Kelly Fedeli, Diana Briselli, Michele Taylor, Friends representative, Janette Murray  
Absent: Anne Reeves, John Abel, George Porter

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Rosemary Marino at 7:05 pm.

**MINUTES**

**Motion:** A motion to approve the January 20, 2009 Minutes was made by Michele Taylor, seconded by Kelly Fedeli. Motion carried. The Minutes were approved, with a date change in the heading.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

Barbara Ellis reviewed the financial report dated for period ending January 31, 2009. Periodicals line item is well spent because of paying EBSCO, the library's magazine subscription vendor.

Questions were answered in reference to ILL and OCLC. It was explained that OCLC is a subscription to a database worldwide enabling ILL to find material requested.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Barbara Ellis noted from her report:

- Chris, Joy and Donna were recognized by the Township for their service. Chris Gawron - 5 years (in full-time status), Donna Small - 15 years (in full-time status), and Joy Burrell - 5 years (part-time)
- We are now selling headphones instead of checking them out. This is for sanitary reasons.
- A subscription has been purchased with the Verizon grant that was received for World Languages and Literacy Initiative, - a language learning resource Tell Me More. Discussion followed with suggestions and comments on how to get this to the public/patrons.
- The Baltimore Life grant of \$500 has been used to purchase a subscription to Tumblebook Library.

Rosemary congratulated Joy on her five-year anniversary with the library and expressed appreciation for her service to the board and the library.

**REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES**

**Friends**

Janette Murray reported that the newsletter has been sent out.

Friends have agreed to underwrite expenses for persons who have been employed at the library for less than 5 years to attend the PaLA conference this year.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

There was discussion on how to promote the many diversified library programs that are offered. Michele Taylor offered to forward information on children's programs to elementary teachers. Kelly Fedeli suggested ways to inform the public through the internet. Also it was suggested that the Hummelstown Sun be contacted to advertise and promote library programs. All the suggestions will be reviewed

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Five -year Plan**

Groundwork for the five-year plan for next year was discussed. It was noted by Barbara that there were staff persons interested in being part of the planning. The staff will be encouraged to have input.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion:** A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Michele Taylor, seconded by Diana Briselli. The meeting adjourned at 7:55 pm.

## **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Library Board of Directors will be Tuesday, March 17, 2009, 7 p.m. at the Hershey Public Library.

Submitted by

Joy Burrell, Recorder