



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

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE

Members present: Rosemary Marino, President; Barbara Ellis, Library Director; Kelly Fedeli, Diana Briselli, George Porter, Anne Reeves, Michele Taylor. Friends representative, Janette Murray; Endowment Trust representative, Charles Leedecker.

Absent: John Abel

CALL TO ORDER

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

MINUTES

Motion: A motion to approve the February 17, 2009 Minutes was made by Kelly Fedeli, seconded by Michele Taylor. George Porter and Anne Reeves abstained from voting because they were not present at the last meeting. Motion carried. The Minutes were approved.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Barbara Ellis reviewed the financial report dated for period ending February 28, 2009.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Barbara Ellis noted from her report:

- Tumble Readers – a new service offered on the Library website.
- Jeff is going to a conference in Washington DC. The Conference is Computers in Libraries 2009.
- A Task Force on Civility will be held in library
- Upturn in stats
- Vital Statistics – the library's value to community is \$14M
- Polaris Users Group will meet in the library on April 3.
- The board showed interest in the TAB. They had been reading and talking about teens destructive behavior and the book To Write Love on Her Arms. Their donation from an event went to an organization that deals with teens destructive behavior..

Rosemary congratulated Barbara on her leadership. She further commended Barbara on her decision to not go to the conference in Chicago in order for Jeff to go to the conference in Washington–Computers in the Library 2009.

REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friends

Janette Murray reported that the registration for the author Joyce Carole Oates will begin at 9:30 am on the 19th.

Volunteer luncheon will be held on April 24th

Endowment Trust

Charles Leedecker was introduced as the representative of the Endowment Trust to the Library Board. Charles reviewed the situation of the Endowment Trust, presenting a positive outlook. Discussion and questions were addressed by Charles. The Endowment Trust will be meeting in April.

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

A question was raised about the golf fundraiser in the library. Barbara Ellis noted that it has been put on hold.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Michele Taylor, seconded by Diana Briselli. The meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Library Board of Directors will be Tuesday, April 21, 2009, 7 p.m. at the Hershey Public Library.

Submitted by

Joy Burrell, Recorder