



**Hershey Public Library
Board of Directors Meeting
April 15, 2011**

MINUTES

ATTENDANCE

Members present: Rosemary Marino, President; Barbara Ellis, Director; John Abel, Diana Briselli, Kelly Fedeli, Michele Taylor, Todd Pagliarulo, Anne Reeves,

Representative from Friends, Nina Castillo; Representative from Endowment Trust, Ralph Keil

CALL TO ORDER

Rosemary called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

MINUTES

The Minutes of the March 15th meeting of the Hershey Public Library were mailed to the Board for review.

Motion: A motion was made by Anne Reeves, seconded by Diana Briselli, to approve the Minutes of the March meeting. The motion passed.

FINANCIAL REPORT

The financial report dated for year ending December 31, 2010 was distributed and reviewed. Barbara briefly reviewed and answered questions.

COMMUNICATION

Barbara shared a “star award” stating “ How can you possibly make a selection...all of the staff are ‘all stars’ .”

DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Barbara Ellis shared a proclamation that the Derry Township Board of Supervisors adopted in recognition of National Library Week, and specifically the staff and services of the Hershey Public Library. Also she shared a proclamation adopted by the Board of Supervisors naming Friday, April 15, 2011, Library Volunteer Appreciation Day in Derry Township.

Barbara also highlighted items from her report:

- 22 individuals & businesses donated gifts for volunteer Appreciation Luncheon.
- Friends of the Library gave record amount this year. The additional amount provided for the projection and sound system in the meeting rooms.
- Building problems are being resolved
- Stan’s funeral was attended by staff. Barbara shared and read inscription on a plaque memorializing Stan. The library provided a room where Stan’s family and friends gathered after the funeral.

REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friends

Nina Castillo reported for the Friends. The program featuring our guest author, Elizabeth Strout, was well attended. The Friends are currently involved in their membership drive and the collection/selection of books for the annual book sale. A holocaust survivor will be speaking at the library. Details of the program will be publicized.

Endowment Trust

Ralph Keil noted that the Endowment Trust will be meeting on Monday April 25th.

OLD BUSINESS

Strategic Planning

Rosemary encouraged board members to visit PA citizens for Better Libraries website regarding literacies provided by Public Libraries.

As staff and Barbara Ellis go ahead in their planning, they are looking to the Board for support to go forward. Barbara requested that the Board search resources in the community and compile a list of contacts/advocates that support libraries.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Michele Taylor, seconded by Kelly Fedeli. The motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Library Board of Directors will be **Wednesday , May 18, 2011**, 7 p.m. at the Hershey Public Library.

Submitted by

Joy Burrell, Recorder