



**Hershey Public Library  
Board of Directors Meeting  
November 16, 2010**

**MINUTES**

**ATTENDANCE**

Members present: John Abel, Vice President; Diana Briselli, Kelly Fedeli, Todd Pagliarulo, Anne Reeves, Michelle Taylor

Endowment Trust representative: Charles Leedecker

Absent: Rosemary Marino; Friends Representative, Jeanette Murray

**CALL TO ORDER**

John Abel, Vice President, presiding in the absence of Rosemary, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

John expressed regards from Rosemary wishing the Board a Happy Thanksgiving.

**MINUTES**

**Motion:** A motion to approve the Minutes of the September and October meetings was made by Anne Reeves and seconded by Todd Pagliarulo. The Minutes were unanimously approved.

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

The financial report ending October 31, 2010 was distributed and reviewed. The E-rate appeal money should be received soon.

Kelly will write to the M. S. Hershey Foundation to thank them for their money and to report how the money is being used.

A major expense for 2010 will be the leveling of the sidewalks. There is money in this year's budget for this project. This will be done at the end of November.

**COMMUNICATION**

Barbara shared a note from a patron commending Denise Phillips on her good customer service.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

- Barbara Ellis reported that the Hershey Partnership Breakfast will be on December 2 at the Library. The Susquehanna Bank will be hosting.
- Barbara noted that money should be coming in from other sources this year. She will keep the board updated.
- The Time Line for the redesign project will go beyond the original date of December 31<sup>st</sup>.
- The library staff attended the PaLA Conference in October. Barbara urged board members to read the comments in her report by the staff attending the conference; especially noting Beth's web links. The Techstarz Poster, designed by Katy Mahraj, a past employee, was presented at the Poster Session.
- The Hershey Lions Club gave the Library a \$2000 grant for the purpose of adding to the Large Print collection.
- Maryann Dowd is anxious to have a plaque in honor of Jack Dowd be placed in the Welcome Area that is to be part of the redesign plan.
- E-rate appeal money from 2007 has been approved and will be coming soon.

## **REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES**

### **Friends**

Jeanette Murray was not present. Barbara Ellis noted that the Friends will be meeting in January.

### **Endowment Trust**

Charles Leedecker reported for the Endowment Trust. The balance in the Endowment Trust Fund as of November 15 was \$1,510,422 an increase of \$10,321 since the last report.

It was noted that Charles will be going off the Endowment Trust Board.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

### **Report on Redesign Project**

The Patriot had printed a good article about the redesigning project going on at the Hershey Public Library. Kelly told about a library in Indiana that had a fund raiser –“Evening in the Stacks” She suggested that this could be something to consider when the redesign is completed. This would be good for the community to share.

Phase 1 up to this point included a good design for needed changes, furniture designs and plans to place/or displace furniture.

## **OTHER**

An article written by Sharmila Sandirasegrane, daughter of Sujatha, a staff member, was featured in the Hershey High School Newspaper The Beacon highlighting the Hershey Public Library and the Teen Advisory Board. The Library is anticipating that this will make teens aware of what is available to them at the Library and encourage them to take part in the available programs.

The Board will review or update the Library’s Code of Conduct and Policy at the next meeting. This was brought about by the concern about bullying.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion:** A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Michele Taylor, seconded by Kelly Fedeli. The meeting adjourned at 8:30 pm.

## **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Library Board of Directors will be **Tuesday, December 14**, 7 p.m. at the Hershey Public Library.

Submitted by

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