

HERSHEY PUBLIC LIBRARY
Board of Directors Meeting

MINUTES

April 21, 2015

ATTENDANCE

Present: Barbara Ellis, Library Director; Julie Isaacson, President; Marilyn Carter, Leigh-Ann Dornberger, Jennifer Grenoble, Matthew Weir

Friends Representative: Myra Nicoletti

Endowment Trust: Ted Farrar, Chairman of ET

Absent: Glennys Button, Marc Moyer

CALL TO ORDER

Julie Isaacson, president, called the meeting to order at 7 pm

WELCOME TO NEW BOARD MEMBER

The Board welcomed new board member Leigh-Anne Dornberger who is filling the unexpired term of Greg Neuhauser. Term will end 12/31/15

APPROVAL OF FEBRUARY 17, 2015 MINUTES

Motion: A motion was made by Matt Weir seconded by Jennifer Grenoble to approve the February 17, 2015 Minutes. (No meeting in March – lack of quorum) The motion passed.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Barbara reported the Financial Report dated April 16 is in order for this time of the year. She noted that Julie Brnik is now a full-time staff member. Her title is Adult Education Coordinator. Questions were answered by Barbara.

COMMUNICATIONS

Barbara recently received word that her funding for the Summer Reading Pro request for the Summer Reading yard flags was denied by Susquehanna Bank.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- Barbara reported that the Volunteer Luncheon was a success, but the attendance was low this year
- Bonnie Rhoads, Reference/Library Assistant is retiring. There will be a need to fill this position.

REPORT OF REPRESENTATIVES

Friends – Myra Nicoletti

Myra reported on the attendance at the Theatre Works Percy Jackson program at the Middle School was 315. The attendance at the author Geraldine Brooks program exceeded 200 persons. Also the Splat Studio is coming up.

The Friends Annual Meeting will be May 20th. The Friends membership is 367.

The Third Annual Film Festival is also being set up for this year.

There is an accumulation of 528 boxes of books for the Book Sale.

Endowment Trust- Ted Farrar

The Distribution Committee is working on ideas for projects to enhance the library.

Some of which are---bird watching station, small meeting rooms, telescope stations, extension of artists, RFID(Radio Frequency Identification System) for all library materials.

OLD BUSINESS

Report on Strategic Plan items

Community Survey was discussed. The Endowment Trust and The Friends may be involved in survey reporting committee. There will be a preliminary report at the May meeting. Marilyn Carter will help guide the report committee.

NEW BUSINESS

Additional Closing Dates for the Library

It was noted on the closing dates schedule the following dates should be added:

Sunday, May 24, the day before the Memorial Day celebration

Sunday, July 5th, the day after the 4th of July.

Motion: A motion was made to add Sunday, May 24 (the day preceding Memorial Day) and Sunday, July 5th (the day after the 4th) to the Library Closing Dates. Motion by Matthew Weir, seconded by Marilyn Carter. Motion passed.

Adjournment

Motion: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Matthew Weir, seconded by Jennifer Grenoble. The meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm.

Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Library Board of Directors will be **Wednesday, May 20, 7 pm** at the Hershey Public Library.

Submitted by:
Joy Burrell, Recorder