

Meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Free Public Library of the Borough of Longport

May 9, 2022 5:00 PM

Call to Order: President Roy Law called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.

Announcement of Compliance with Open Public Meetings Law: This meeting is called pursuant to the provisions of the Open Public Meetings Law. Notice of this meeting was advertised in the Press of Atlantic City on May 6, 2022 and sent to the Current on May 3, 2022. Notice of this meeting was also posted on the Library's website and in Longport Borough Hall. Official action may be taken at this meeting.

Recording of Attendance: President Roy Law, Treasurer Patricia English, Member/Secretary Erin Schiavo, Member Kate Subranni, Member Damen Tomassi, Member Dolores Wilson, Member JoAnne Clayton, Library Director Ricky Gerhardt (all present for the meeting).

Also in Attendance: No additional people in attendance.

Absent: Member/School Board President Carl Tripician, Mayor Nick Russo

Old Business: Approval of minutes from April 11, 2022 meeting. (Drafts previously distributed to board members). Trish English motioned for approval of minutes, Dolores Wilson seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed.

Public Comment: none

New Business:

President's Report-Update for Library Lease: President Roy Law explained that the Library Lease was given to the Commissioners and returned to Ricky. Ricky and Roy are in the process of making some minor adjustments and then returning the lease to the Commissioners.

Treasurer's Report: Trish English reported that there was a beginning balance of \$801,526.55. She reported cash receipts in the amount of \$1, 502.78. Cash disbursed in the amount of \$25,007.11. The ending cash balance was \$778,022.22. Dolores Wilson motioned for approval of the report, Erin Schiavo seconded the motion. All in favor none opposed.

Bill Pay List: The Bill Pay list was reviewed. There were no questions. Erin Schiavo motioned to approve the bill pay list, Joanne Clayton seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed.

Director's Report: Ricky shared the statistics for the month of April. Statistics include Materials Checkout (digital/physical), Website traffic, Library App downloads and Programming.

In April there were 28 programs with a total of 291 attendees. Programs include crafts, concerts, and movies.

The summer program schedule is finalized and a kickoff event is being held on June 25th.

There will be a variety of events for kids this summer, including Sunday Storytime, and a Pokemon Club. Family programs will include Bingo, Crafting, and Cooking. Adult programs will include a Kick-off event on June 5th, as well as Concerts, Yoga, Trivia, Author Visits, Lectures, Cooking, Sign Language, and Adult Crafting.

The Newsletter has been printed and is being mailed this week.

In museum news, interviews continue for the new exhibit. They are expected to conclude by the beginning of June, and the exhibit should be complete in the fall, once interviews are finished and transcribed.

Clothing for the porch store will be available for purchase during museum hours. The Foundation will be staffing the store with volunteers. Proceeds will go to the Library Foundation.

The Commissioners returned the lease for the Library and Ricky and the Board President, Roy Law have made some minor adjustments. They are waiting to hear back from the Commissioners. The goal is to have the lease on the agenda of the May 18 Commission Meeting.

Ricky discussed the possibility of improving air quality and air circulation at the Museum.

Resolutions:

- A. Resolution 2022-07: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE APROVAL OF UPDATED LIBRARY POLICIES. Dolores Wilson made a motion to adopt Resolution 2022-07. Erin Schiavo seconded. All in favor, none opposed.

Public Comment: none

Adjournment: At 5:19 PM Dolores Wilson made a motion for adjournment. Erin Schiavo seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed.