

Barbara Moscato Brown Memorial Library

Board of Trustees Meeting

August 26, 2024

Present: Tony Mocado, Carl Mitchell, Amanda Jones, Joanne Fapore, Lori Sullivan, Jess Herzing, Max Heim, Yelena Kisler

Excused: Nancy Zoschg, Tara Newton, Nicki Arbriatis, Aria Magaro

The board was called to order by President, Tony Moscato at 3:38 pm

The board approved the minutes of the June meeting without correction with a motion by Lori Sullivan and seconded by Joanne Fapore. All in favor and the motion passed.

Yelena presented the Treasurer's reports for June and July in Tara's absence. There was discussion about the expenses being below budget but anticipated to catch up in August. The board accepted the reports by motion of Carl Mitchell, seconded by Lori Sullivan and all in favor.

Librarian's Report was presented by Yelena. There was discussion about the limited use of Kanopy Streaming. Yelena shared with the board how the service works, how to sign up, the platform's benefits and what services and shows are available. Lori Sullivan made the motion to accept the report, seconded by Jess Herzing, and passed by unanimous vote.

Yelena reported that the library was awarded both the Mee Foundation and Emporium Foundation grant requests but did not receive the award of the T-Mobile grant. They have received the quotes and will begin ordering the equipment.

There was a discussion about the new Federal Overtime rules as Yelena and Matt are no longer exempt from Overtime and will have to track their hours. Yelena and Jess Herzing will gather more information about how to track and calculate their hours, and where comp. time can be accumulated and used.

The State Aid Library Subsidy Application (SALSA) and waivers for 2023 have been completed and submitted.

Program report included another successful Summer Snack Program, Summer Reading Program with over twenty-seven participants, and completed filled Dissection Camps. Yelena expressed her optimism in the CEC's new STEM Educator, Cortney Reigner and the upcoming fall workshops scheduled as part of that partnership. Further September and October will see the popular Wizarding Days return with a variety of Harry Potter inspired activities for all ages and raffles, "Badly Recreate a Book Cover" promotional activities, 2 AmeriHealth programs, and other new activities offered in partnerships with CCOYA, Sizerville Sate Park Story Time, and ADAS.

Fundraising updates included the success of the Weekend in the Wilds Used Book Sale, the upcoming Hoodie Sweatshirt sale with the price set at \$50, and conversation about the Super Weekend Used Book Sale not being as successful but would be discussed more fully at the next meeting. The next book sale will be the week after Thanksgiving.

Further work on the Murder Mystery Fundraiser was tabled as there was a lack of enthusiasm and interest from the board.

Acceptance of Yelena's Report was motioned by Amanda Jones, seconded by Joanne Fapore, and passed by unanimous vote.

The board reviewed the Collection Development and Challenge Policy options presented by Yelena with the following suggestions: The board indicated that policy should be as straight forward as possible. Section A. Objectives should use the shortened paragraph, requested clarification on Gifts and Donations language by Tony, Carl, and Jess request insight on the exact updates to the trustee manual, section H. Challenged Materials featuring the consolidated narrative of the procedure. Yelena will update the Policy based on board comments for approval at the upcoming meeting.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Jess Herzing, seconded by Amanda Jones, and passed by all at 4:32 pm