

**Meeting Minutes**  
**LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**Wednesday, March 8, 2023**  
**In-Person**

**Called to Order: 7:07 PM**

**Regular Business**

Roll call

Present: John Trause, Sheila Sterling, Eileen Gabriele (via Zoom), Jessica Holmes, Jim Lessersohn, Christina Gwynne, Megan Bozios, Michael Staff, Stephanie Biedermann

Also present: Carol Blakeslee, Youth Services Librarian

Absent: Anne Sullivan

Introduce Stephanie Biedermann to rest of the Board. Newest Board member. [**JT**: notes **SB** has not yet been officially sworn in so cannot vote until that happens]

Approval of minutes:

Meeting – February 8, 2023 **JH** | **MB**

Approval of financial reports – February 2022 – and Transaction Reports (Bill Lists) – February 2023 **MS** | **JH**

Acceptance of February 2023 Information Services Report, and Youth Services Librarian Report **CG** | **MS**

**CB – Additional Youth Room Notes:**

Possible Additional Programming: All the World's a Stage may return to Youth Room as well as a local opera singer for children's programming

Story Walk: plans are proceeding, reaching out to Boy Scouts for assistance in installation.

Youth Room DVD Section: being weeded due to lack of circulation. Freed up area will allow for expanded space for graphic novels.

February 2023 Director's Report **MS** | **JH**

**MB** asks about location of library security cameras. **JT**: One outside, the rest inside. He had a recent recommendation to add additional cameras to outside exit areas.

**CG**: As per director's report, AED would be good to have in library. She shared info (Estimates, etc.) she garnered from RCNS when the school obtained one.

**MS**: 4 AEDs are being added around town (2 fields, Borough Hall, and library)

**Correspondence**

None.

**Old Business**

Strategic Plan

Focus Groups:

**SS**: New residents – rescheduled due to snow

**JH**: Parents of Teenagers – canceled due to lack of response several times.

Personnel Committee

**SS:** Convening tonight after Board meeting.

Library Budget 2023

**MS:** Borough Council on an extended schedule till the summertime for budget considerations because of an impending audit

**New Business**

NJ Makers Day: Friday, March 24, 2023 through Sunday, March 26, 2023

Wine & Wontons (Oradell Public Library Foundation fundraiser): Saturday, April 22, 2023 6:00 – 9:00 PM

Option for Online Donations: **JT:** this is now in the works to be implemented by the Oradell Public Library Foundation.

Summer reading program **CB:** The program will be supported by Friends of OPL this year.

Arts Amble: Sunday, 6/11 will be the event day. The library will be participating. Considering another (larger) art show, poetry, collaborative reading.

**Public Portion**

Nothing

**Closed Session**

None held

**Motion to Adjourn: JH | MS 8:00 PM**

**Next Board Meeting**      Wednesday, April 12, 2023