

Meeting Minutes
LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Wednesday, October 12, 2022

Called to Order: 7:07 PM

Regular Business

Roll call:

Present: John Trause Anne Sullivan, Susan Jung, Eileen Gabrielle, Sheila Sterling (Zoom), Eric Mangol (Zoom), Jim Lessersohn (Zoom)

Absent: Jessica Holmes, Miriam Yu, Joe Colella

Also Present: Carol Blakeslee (Youth Services Librarian)

Approval of minutes: **SJ|AS**
Meeting – September 21, 2022

Approval of financial reports – September 2022 – and Transaction Reports (Bill Lists) – September 2022
SJ|EG

Acceptance of September 2022 Director's Report, Information Services Report, and Youth Services Librarian Report **EG|SJ**

 Youth Services Report

 New hire accepted position (12-15 hours per week)

 Youth Services Librarian's office printer not currently working

 LEAD Program: 2 high school students coming in to volunteer

 Creative Bergen Arts Amble: spoke with Jeff Wilson who runs a cappella group in River Dell

High School (RDHS). May perform.

 Director's Report

 Boiler seems to be working currently. Have not heard back from Thermal Dynamic

 Wasps are being monitored for now in the teen room.

Correspondence

None

Old Business EM|AS

Strategic Plan: John will share questionnaires to use across all Focus Groups, and he will provide the names and materials for Strategic Plan Committee members to moderate the Focus Groups.

Personnel Committee: Exterior of building has some issues; bricks need to be fixed and flower beds need to be maintained and touched up. John will continue to send the list of Department of Public Works (DPW) work orders for consideration with Council Liaison Miriam Yu copied on the correspondence.

New Business

Library Board meetings 2023 **SS|AS**

Holiday and early closings 2023 **SJ|SS**

(Saturday of Labor Day weekend was also added to this list)

Review of Collection Development Policy and Reconsideration of Library Materials

- Was challenged only once in the 12 ½ years since John has been director.
- Always had ALA's Reconsideration of Library Materials process of Collection Development Policy
- Will revise the Reconsideration of Library Materials procedure so that it only applies to Oradell residents
- Currently we are reviewing and revising the Collection Development Policy and Reconsideration of Library Materials so that it protects our librarians and our staff and also gives Oradell residents the right to challenge if they feel compelled to do so.
- Will review revisions and vote at the next board meeting

Bergen Record

- Issue has come up with Jim trying sending an article from *The Record* online to the Library Board. and the members were not able to open the article due to lack of access.
- John is looking into getting public access through print subscriptions
- May need to have someone go through all our current subscriptions

Public Portion

None

Closed Session

None

Next Board Meeting Wednesday, November 9, 2022 **SJ|SS**