

MINUTES
LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Wednesday, May 9, 2018

Present: Sheila Sterling, Eileen Gabrielle, Carol Blakeslee (CAB), Joe Colella, Jim Lessersohn, Anne Sullivan, John Trause, Miriam Yu, Claire Beslow

Absent: none

I. Regular Business

A. Approval of minutes: (CB, AS)
Regular meeting – April 11, 2018

B. Approval of financial reports and Transaction Reports (Bill Lists) – April 2018

1. Reviewed balance sheet and petty cash report
2. Budget columns of Income & Expense reports are incomplete because the budget has not been finalized (they should be in by next month) and there seems to be only one payroll represented, but looked at the comparison to last year
 - a. We should be getting the next appropriation soon
 - b. Lots of activity in acquisitions for both children and adults
 - c. Spending is up 18% as of now
3. We'll hold off on voting on this until it is completed, hopefully next month
4. We can, however, vote on the Transaction Report (CB, EG)
 - a. Talked about some of the transactions

C. Acceptance of April 2018 Information Services and Youth Services Librarians Reports (CB, EG)

D. Acceptance of April 2018 Director's Report (CB,EG)

1. Everything is fine with the air conditioning now—the technician was quite confident
2. Very appreciative of the Robert Milli donation; John explained how it will be coded/structured
3. Discussed when we might have a program dedicating Magnolia, the new Elsworth Kelly Print, since Elizabeth Vierling got in touch with John earlier today
4. Talked about the Stigma Free initiative

II. Correspondence

III. Old Business

A. Library budget presentation 2018 – follow-up

1. John will ask if the budget has yet been approved, what the exact appropriation will be, and how the health care decreases (in the prescription plan) will impact the appropriation

B. Review of Fat Saturday Fundraiser, April 21, 2018

1. It was a very successful event
2. Over \$11,000 was raised, and deducting expenses and the Foundation's donation to the Jazz organization, we raised about \$10,100 through sponsorships, admission and the basket raffle
3. Thank you to all of the volunteers
4. Discussed how to have programs to better appeal to the 35-50 year old demographic

5. Miriam suggested that we post some of the pictures Reid took of the event

IV. New Business

- A. Discussed the problem with pavers at the Library's entrance
 1. The Mayor brought up the possibility of pavers as a fundraiser for the Library- we will look into this further
- B. John updated us on the BCCLS delivery service.
 1. There is a task force working on the problem—John attended yesterday's meeting. The task force is recommending that BCCLS not be part of the state-wide system and we try to do it on our own (there is typically a flat rate of \$25 per stop for each library)
 2. The cost would be about \$6,000 a year per library (this might be part of BCCLS budget next year) – we are presently covered by LibraryLink New Jersey who run the delivery service (which has been so problematic) so it is a “free” service covered by our state taxes; John will keep us posted
- C. No executive director of BCCLS has yet been hired

V. Public Portion

VI. Closed Session

Next Board Meeting Thursday, June 14, 2018 [please note date]

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 (CB, EG)