

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY OF THE TOWNSHIP OF NEPTUNE

May 21, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:20 pm by Teretha Jones.

ROLL CALL

The following were in attendance: Teretha Jones –Connie King was excused – Maureen Pampaloni-Torquato Tasso- Meghan Plevier was excused – Bridget James – Fred Mayo - John Bonney, Director and Amani Neptune.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Maureen Pampaloni made the motion to approve the minutes of the April 16, 2019 meeting and Torquato Tasso seconded the motion and the motion was passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The report was read by John Bonney. Financial report and Action on Bills.

- \$ 3,072.48 paid on April 8 and \$882.49 paid on April 22, 2019 out of the Trust

Motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made by Maureen Pampaloni and seconded by Fred Mayo. The motion was passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Building-Teretha Jones put in a request to the Financial Administrator letting him know that we want to expand the library, stressing that we need more space. After sharing a few ideas to achieve how that could be accomplished Ms. Jones was told that we could have access to the Senior Center and meeting room B11 next door should we need them for meetings.
- Outreach- John represented the library by attending Neptune Municipal Alliance against Drug Abuse, Bring your Kids to Work Day, College Career Day at the Neptune Middle School, Shark River Hills Property Association and Family Fun Night at the Green Grove School. At all of these events he shared the library's role in the community and what we are doing to support the above mentioned groups and how we are doing it. Cheryl Otten continues to do outreach weekly and whenever needed.

OLD BUSINESS

- Bookmobile- Eastern Surplus contacted the library to let us know that they would be picking up the old EMS vehicle the first week of June. We are allowed to go see the vehicle and how things are progressing whenever we like as long as they know in advance. The estimated time frame is anywhere between 6 to 8 months to have the work completed.

NEW BUSINESS

- FASFA Coaches-John spoke with a Mr. Ed Johnson who is the head of Government Services at Brookdale. They spoke about bringing the FAFSA Coaches to Neptune Public Library and how to make that happen. We will be providing them with a space (Quiet Study area). They will meet Tuesday night's 6-8 pm and Saturdays 9-12 am.

How will we make the schools aware of this new outreach program, Bridget James mentioned Omar Beltran as a good resource to spread the news to the schools in addition to a flier that Mr. Johnson will make available to the library that we will make available to the public as well as promoting it.

Summer Reading-The theme is UNIVERSE of Stories. The kickoff party is on June 17 and some of the things Cheryl has planned are having a Magician, A Noah Ark Animal Workshop and Science Tellers who will be performing: Aliens: Escape from Earth. And in August we will have a visit from Insectropolis which is a Bug Museum that Mr. Tasso says is really good and shared a bit of its history with us.

- Additional Meeting Rooms-As was mentioned earlier Ms. Jones spoke to the Administrator next door and Mr. Galeleta later spoke with John and conveyed that the Senior Center and meeting room B11 in the Municipal complex are available to us should we need them until we can get something long term worked out.

Trustee Comments- Maureen loved the Veteran's window that is on display in our lobby for the month on MAY and Connie King also expressed appreciation of it.

Maureen also congratulated John on the appearance of the library and its brightness, displays and tidy and informative desk area.

Public Comments

ADJOURNMENTS

Maureen Pampaloni the motion to adjourn and Fred Mayo seconded the motion. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 5:32 pm.