

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

June 18, 2019

## CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:01 pm by Meghan Plevier.

## ROLL CALL

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

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Maureen Pampaloni called for an approval of the minutes of the May 21, 2019 meeting. Connie King seconded the motion and the motion was passed.

## TREASURER'S REPORT

The report was read by Meghan Plevier. Financial report and Action on Bills.

- \$0.00 paid on May 13 and \$418.56 paid on May 23 out of the Trust

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

## COMMITTEE REPORTS

Nothing new.

## OLD BUSINESS

No Old Business

## NEW BUSINESS

- Resolution #R4-19 Grant Leave of Absence under the Family Medical Leave Act to Kathy Nicholas.

The Resolution was read to the Board of Trustee, passed and signed by Meghan Plevier.

- Bookmobile Task Force.

The Bookmobile is being picked up on June 19, 2019 by Eastern Surplus and taken to Philadelphia to begin the retrofitting work. It should take about eight months to complete and any member of the Board is welcome to visit their workshop in Philadelphia to check up on the vehicle as long as advance notice is given.

Now that the work is beginning on the Bookmobile Mr. Bonney mentioned the need to put together a Bookmobile Task Force that would look at thing like "establishing a scheduling route and days the

mobile would go out, borrowing policies and library card criteria” among other procedures. The task force would meet around the days and time of the Board meetings. John also talked about putting together a Doodle Poll to send to all who want to be involved. (Doodle poll helps with scheduling meetings and gathering thoughts and opinions)

- Summer DVD Rentals-The library offered free DVD rentals to our members last year which saw a spike of at most 89% from what is usually around 54% in DVDS going out. This promotion brought us an increase in visits, increased circulation and people applying for library cards. Being that it did not cause a monetary or fiduciary problem for the library we would like to offer it again to our members from July 1<sup>st</sup> to Labor Day which is September 2, 2019. Late fees would still apply. Meghan Plevier made the motion to approve this request and Bridget James seconded the motion. The motion was passed.
- Visiting Nurse Association Health Group Partnership. Chery Otten assisted by Kelly Taylor in collaboration with the VNA group have formed a parent group that would bring in speakers who would talk about the importance of nutrition, how to prepare one’s self emotionally, socially, mentally and academically for school.
- Summer Reading. We had the summer reading launch party on June 17, 2019 and sixty nine children showed up. A flier with the programs that we will have available for the participants showcases Insectropolis-Discover the little known lives of insects, Noah’s Ark Animal Workshop-build your own Space Alien, Zoo Jersey- The Zoo That Comes to You. Membership to the library is not a requirement nor do you have to be a Neptune resident to join in the festivities.
- STEMgirls! Progamming. Additional funding was obtained which allowed the programs to continue. STEM which means –Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics is catering to middle school girls who show an interest or curiosity in the science field and the opportunities that it can offer women. They are given dinner and one on one attention to explore a career they may have never thought as being possible.

#### TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Meghan Plevier thanked Cheryl Otten for the dissemination of information to all the local school libraries about the Summer Reading program.

The school district does not have a list of must read books this year, whatever the students want to read is fine. The emphasis is on just reading.

Information about the schools summer reading program is on the School District website.

Public Comments.

None

#### ADJOURNMENTS

Maureen Pampaloni the motion to adjourn and Fred Mayo seconded the motion. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 520 pm.