

BLODGETT MEMORIAL LIBRARY DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING – February 15, 2023
In person

Trustees Present

- Anthony Ruggiero
- Janice Ballard
- Vincent Sullivan
- Beth Allee-arrived 7:08
- Sarah Smith
- Carole LaColla
- Lois Miccio
- Lynette Whiteman

Staff Present

- Julie Spann, Director
- Joanna Aquafredda, Office Manager

Other Guests

I) President Anthony Ruggiero called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

II) Approval of January 11, 2023 minutes.

- The Minutes were reviewed.
- A motion to approve the January minutes was made by Vincent, seconded by Carole and unanimously approved.

III) President's Report

(a) nothing to report

IV) Financial Report

- The February warrant was presented and reviewed by the Finance Committee. Everything seemed in line with the budget and there was nothing out of the ordinary.
- Donations- the following donations were presented for approval. All of the following were made directly to the library for no specific use.
 - ◆ Mary Jo Ross \$100
 - ◆ Hannaford \$39
 - ◆ Fernanda Sartori \$35
 - ◆ Donald Siebert \$162

V) Director's Report

- Old Business
 - ◆ Logo-The board and staff would like to go back to Paul, the graphic designer, and see if there is another logo that can be done. The logo that was created didn't evoke a sense of Blodgett Library. The board will be completing the survey Paul issued. Once completed Joanna will compile it and send it back to Paul along with more guidance as to what we want.
 - (I) This is a new experience for mostly everyone on the board and just want to make sure we give Paul and clear view of the expectations.
 - ◆ Carpet- Carpet is almost done, the stairs are the only part that needs to be completed. The part they had for the stairs wasn't compatible so they will be working with Julie to determine the best time to come and finish.

- (I) Once fully completed we will post on social media with pictures.
- ◆ Annual Report to Mid-Hudson Library System was presented. A motion to approve the annual report was made by Janice, seconded by Beth and unanimously approved.
 - (I) Joanna will submit the annual report by the due date of the 17th.
- ◆ Committee Meetings- Committee meetings will be reviewed at the next meeting. The board wants to review by-laws and legislation before addressing committees.
 - (I) Joanna will send out the original bylaws, newer bylaws, and legislation for the board to review.
- New Business
 - ◆ Need 2 more board members
 - (I) We will hold off on searching for new board members until we review bylaws. If someone is interested in joining before bylaws are address they are more than welcome to.
 - ◆ Advocacy- MHLS is looking for our trustees to compile letters to write to the state to keep library funding.

VI) Other: Next meeting will be moved to March 7th at 7pm.

VII) Committee Reports

VIII) Finance/Personnel/Election: Janice, Anthony & Carole - nothing to report

IX) Buildings & Grounds/Long range: Janice, Anthony, & Sarah - nothing to report

X) Liaison to Friends & Community (PR): Vincent, Beth- nothing to report

XI) No public input.

XII) Adjournment -

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:14 pm was made by Lynette, seconded by Beth and unanimously approved.