

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

DECEMBER 20, 2011

CALL TO ORDER

Joe Krimko called the meeting to order at 5:05 pm.

ROLL CALL

The following were in attendance: Teretha Jones – Joe Krimko – Lewis Norwood – Mike Palermo
Connie King – Meghan Plevier

Teretha Jones made the motion to approve the minutes of the November 15, 2011 meeting. Mike Palermo seconded the motion. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The report was read by Mike Palermo. Teretha Jones made the motion to accept the report. Lewis Norwood seconded the motion. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no reports or meetings for this month.

OLD BUSINESS

Strategic plan update: A discussion was held on the follow -up meeting attended by Marian and Joe. As for the library's strategic plan committee, things are going slow for now because of staff vacations and the approaching holidays. Planning will pick up in January.

NEW BUSINESS

John was invited to Green Grove School for Career Day. He had a really great day educating the kids about what a librarian does and why libraries are important to the community.

We are working on re-doing our website. There are plans to hire a graduate of NJIT to built it but we need to decide what information and graphics we want on it. Marian will keep the Board updated on how this is going.

The library is in need of a new "logo". Marian has been working on this and stated that she would like to have the Board's input. Sample copies of logo's with graphics and pictures will be sent to the Board before a decision is made.

A discussion was held on the restrooms in the lobby. Signs have been put up stating that the restrooms may be inspected by staff at any time.

Marian presented a program for the Early Childhood Advisory Council to parents at the Gables School on "How to Read to Your Preschooler". It was not a large turnout but the parents who attended were very interested.

Marian also spoke at the Economic Development Corporation meeting about what the Library has to offer businesses.

Resolution #R 9-11: Hiring Laura Myers as a part-time Library Assistant effective January 3, 2012. Teretha Jones made the motion to accept the resolution. Mike Palermo seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The State Library NJ is now paying for people to get their GED online.

TRUSTEE COMMENTS

Teretha Jones stated that the Black History Program activities are moving along. The program is scheduled for Saturday, February 18th from noon to three at the Neptune High School Performing Arts Center.

Mike Palermo stated that the doll display in the lobby window is very attractive. He also commented on the wide spread collection of DVD's that we have.

The Board meeting for January has been scheduled for the 17th at 5:00 pm. Schedule for the rest of the year will be decided at that meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn was made by Mike Palermo and seconded by Meghan Plevier. Motion carried.