

Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Trustees
Eastern Monroe Public Library

The regular scheduled monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Eastern Monroe Public Library was held on Aug. 18, 2015 at the Hughes Library.

Present: Maria Candelaria, Gerard Geiger, Charles Green, Tim Hegarty, Stan Miles, Seamus McGraw, William Wetizmann, Janis Selving, Ann Super

Staff in attendance: Sue Lyons, Korey Rustici.

Guest: Patricia Wiesmeth of Weseloh Carney & Co., LLC

A motion was made to correct two spelling errors in the minutes for the July meeting.

A. Super/T. Hegarty moved to approve the minutes as amended for the July meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

P. Wiesmeth presented the auditor's report and noted that "the library is in a very sound place right now."

President's Report – G Geiger circulated a draft of the Strategic Plan, observed that on balance it focuses principally on the Hughes Library and less on the branch. He urged board members to digest the report and be prepared to comment in more detail at the September board meeting.

G. Geiger also thanked J. Selving for moderating the discussion of "To Kill a Mockingbird."

Treasurer's Report – W. Weitzmann presented the report. He noted that the library has received \$400,000 in state revenue. "We got our money," he said.

Comments:

G Geiger accepted the Treasurer's Report.

S. Miles/A Super moved to approve the bills as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Committee Reports:

Art Committee– W Weitzmann reported the library will be burying the 2015 Time capsule on Sept. 5 at 3 pm. In addition, W. Weitzmann will be distributing letters written by Stroudsburg area residents in 1965 to their descendants. He may require assistance tracking some of those descendants down.

Personnel – No report.

Publicity & Community Relations – No report.

TedX update. Local jazz luminary Bob Dorough will not be available for the October Ted X event, though Sharon Guynup, author of *Tigers Forever*, and at least some of the members of the Duffy's Cut project have tentatively agreed to deliver talks. AV equipment is expected to be in place in time. There was also some discussion about preparing background graphics and arranging, possibly through ESU, for video recording the event.

Director's Report. S. Lyons reported that the efforts to develop an integrated library system across the county have failed. She recommended that the board renew its arrangement with Sirsi for three years, and in the meantime apply to join a state sponsored open source program, Spark PA. She estimated that the library could be inline with Spark PA by late 2017.

J. Selving/S. Miles made a motion to enter into the shorter three year contract and explore the Spark PA option. It passed unanimously.

**J. Selving/ A. Super moved to go into executive session at 9:40.
Executive session ended at 10:28**

Old Business – None.

The meeting adjourned at 10:33 AM on a motion by J. Selving/A. Super which carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Seamus McGraw, Board Secretary.