

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 remotely on June 20, 2023.

Present: Betsy Buzzelli-Clarke, Erik Diemer, Danny Younger, Debbie Kulick, Trudie Lear, Dawn Migliacci Pete Pappalardo, Joni Oye-Benintende, Erin Morrow – District Coordinator from Easton Library

Absent: Aaron DeAngelo

Staff in attendance: Sue Lyons, Rose Hewitt, Cheryl Brice, Julie Bonser

The meeting was called to order at 8:33 A.M. by Board President Trudie Lear.

President's Remarks: T. Lear gave a quick overview of the many wonderful events taking place at all of the libraries.

Minutes of the March 21, 2023 meeting: E. Diemer/J. Benintende moved to accept the minutes of the May 18, 2023 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report –Copies of the treasurers report were circulated before the meeting.

B. B-C /J. Benintende moved to approve the bills as presented and the measure passed unanimously.

Approximately 80% of local tax revenue has been received. All of the state funding is in. A report on the savings from the solar panels will be available next month. All of last year's Hughes Grant was used on the solar panel project.

A discussion was had about the popularity and financial impact of Hoopla, the digital library platform.

Committee Reports:

Buildings and Equipment :

Quotes for spackling are currently being gathered.

Policy and Operation – Strategic Planning Committee:

The library survey is out and the results are coming in. It will remain available for another month.

Fundraising – No report

Publicity & Community Relations:

D. Kulick wrote an article for the Pocono Record highlighting the library's summer reading program.

BRCTV is being contacted in hopes that they will do a story on the solar panel project.

Personnel: No report

Ad Hoc Committees:

Smithfields: Several grants have been written to cover the cost of solar panels for that building.

PTL - Touch a Truck Day, held at the community/library was a very successful activity.

Director's Report – *A full copy had been distributed by email prior to the meeting.*

The Café inspection is today. It may be open as early as this Friday. The new shades are up in the café.

Museum passes will be available to be checked out in a week or two.

A report on the success of the Friends book sale was given. E. Morrow described how Easton handles their sale in regard to the booksellers.

Adult Services Report – *A full copy had been distributed by email prior to the meeting.*

Chair yoga has been added to the programming. The first session has generated great interest.

Tiny art kits are being handed out. They will be placed upstairs in a display case.

Youth Report: *A full copy had been distributed by email prior to the meeting.*

The programs have been very well attended. Youth Services is fully staffed for the first time in 2 years.

There was a discussion, led by J. Bonser about the possible sale of Yertle merchandise. To be continued!

Director Search Committee: The next meeting will be held on June 22 to refine search parameters.

Old Business - None

New Business – None

The meeting was adjourned at 9:47am on a motion by E. Diemer/D. Migliacci. The motion passed unanimously.

The next meeting will be held via Zoom at 8:30am on July18, 2023.

Respectfully Submitted,

Betsy Buzzelli-Clarke
Board Secretary