

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 July 21, 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, Mary Stewart Erm,

A. Super/T. Hegarty moved to approve the minutes of the June 25, 2015 meeting.
The motion carried unanimously.

President's Report – G Geiger reported that that he and A. Super had met with the Friends of Library in an information session to discuss the status of the strategic plan. There was limited discussion about getting a sense of the board to use a local architect rather than one recommended by Alan Burger. Discussions were held about potential candidates for the Ted X talks in October. Local musician Bob Dorrough has not yet been contacted, but there were suggestions about expanding the roster of speakers for the event to four or five. S. McGraw said he would contact the researchers on the Duffy's Cut project to see if they would be interested. (Update: they have gotten back to us and are interested.)

S. Lyons also noted that the Hughes Foundation had provided \$140K grant to complete DRYVIT at the Hughes Library.

Treasurer's Report – W. Weitzmann presented the report. He noted that most of the tax revenue had come in during May and about 80 percent of expected revenues are in. Investment yields are also improving as a result of more aggressive investment strategies.

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 is displaying contents from the 1965 Stroudsburg sesquicentennial and soliciting contributions from Stroudsburg residents for the 2065 time capsule.

Personnel – No report.

Publicity & Community Relations – No report.

Director's Report. By the end of July, the redesigned webpage should be ready for beta testing. J. Selving has volunteered to offer instruction for patrons on resume writing. The library has acquired four copies of *Go Set A Watchman*, and a panel discussion has been scheduled for *To Kill a Mockingbird*. J. Selving will serve on the panel.

S. Lyons also reported that as of July 6, patrons with outstanding fines have been permitted to use the computers at the library and that has dramatically reduced the use of guest passes.

**W. Weitzman/S. McGraw moved to go into executive session at 9:23.
Executive session ended at 9:48.**

Old Business – None.

New Business – S. Lyons reported that negotiations are underway to join a single county wide library catalogue system, though one library remains reluctant. It may be possible to proceed even if one or possibly two of the county's libraries decline to participate.

The meeting adjourned at 10:02 AM on a motion by C. Green/S. Miles which carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Seamus McGraw, Board Secretary.