

## 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 May 19, 2015 at the Hughes Library.

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

**Absent:** Janis Selving, Stan Miles, Ann Super

**Staff in attendance:** Sue Lyons, Korey Rustici, Suzanne Campbell, Mary Stewart Erm,

**Guests:**

The meeting was called to order at 8:36 AM by Board President, G Geiger.

**T Hegarty/C Green moved to approve the minutes of the March 17, 2015 meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.**

**President's Report** – G Geiger thanked W. Weitzmann for presenting the plaque to Barbara Keiser and for the “Thank You” note on an old card from the card catalogue.

Update on strategic plan: Alan Burger hopes to have a draft of plan later by June and a meeting of the Strategic Planning Committee (open to all board members) is tentatively scheduled for June 13, time to be confirmed, but possibly 9:30 or 10 am.

In response to a question from G. Geiger, K. Rustici reported that a one line change had been made to the library's meeting room policy, and a revised policy must still be reviewed.

G. Geiger also noted that 2016 is the library's centennial and raised the possibility of establishing an ad hoc committee to plan for it.

### *Comments:*

**Treasurer's Report** – W. Weitzmann presented the report. Concerns about a slow down in income were eased when K. Rustici noted that \$221,000 and \$87,000 had been received in May. At the conclusion of the first quarter, the year looks good; expenses were under budget.

*Comments:*

**G Geiger accepted the Treasurer's Report.**

**C Green/S. McGraw moved to approve the bills as presented.**  
**The motion carried unanimously.**

**Committee Reports:**

Art Committee– W Weitzmann reported that “hundreds” of pieces of art at the Hughes library had been inventoried and photographed and in June the process will begin at the Smithfields branch.

Personnel – No report.

Publicity & Community Relations – No report.

**Director's Report** – S. Lyons presented a slide show outlining plans to upgrade the library's web page, making it more user friendly and possibly configured to accept donations via PayPal. She noted the widespread use of guest passes by patrons, including those currently blocked because of fines, and said she hopes to have a policy for the use of the passes available for review by the June meeting.

S. Lyons also said she supports the idea of having the library present TedX talks, and said the library might consider acquiring an overhead projector and sound system for the events.

**Old Business – None.**

**New Business – None**

**The meeting adjourned at 9:42 AM on a motion by S. McGraw/M. Candalaria which carried unanimously.**

Respectfully submitted,

Seamus McGraw, Board Secretary.