

Bethel-Tulpehocken Public Library
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Minutes of the Board of Trustees Meeting for August 11th, 2022

In Attendance: Mike Najarian, Nancy Guida, Paul Stauffer, Willie Weiler, Jennifer Schmehl, Linda Wilcox, Betsy Kreider, Kaitlin Lehman (via zoom)

The meeting was called to order at 7:02pm with a quorum represented.

Secretary's Report:

Minutes of the July 2022 meeting were approved with a correction to Paul Stauffer's last name (Linda/Jennifer) voice vote, motion carried.

Expenditure Report:

Expenditures to vendors of \$4,388.85 and Payroll of \$7,132.65 for a total of \$11,521.50 for the month of July 2022. (Mike/Nancy) voice vote, motion carried. (see attached)

Library Director's Report:

1. The July library programs, listed below, were well attended:
 - a. Preschool Storytime – 4 dates (103 total attendees)
 - 1) taught by Betsy (1 Kaitlin)
 - b. Movie Night – Bad Guys (21 all ages attendees)
 - 1) hosted by Daphne
 - c. Book Club (7 adult attendees)
 - d. Block Party – Monthly (34 preschooler attendees)
 - 1) hosted by Betsy
 - e. Pizza & Pages (13 teen attendees)
 - 1) hosted by Betsy and sponsored by “Mancino’s”
 - f. I’m That Girl Book Club (8 adult attendees)
 - 1) led by Kellee
 - g. Trim Healthy Mama (15 adult attendees)
 - 1) led by Kellee
 - h. Bestsellers & Baked Goods (12 adult attendees)
 - 1) taught by Kaitlin and sponsored by “Baked Sweet”
 - i. Teen Club (11 teen attendees)
 - 1) Hosted by Betsy
 - a) Alecia Nye did a fire safety presentation that was very well received.
 - j. Turtle Dance Music (4 kid attendees)
 - k. Summer Reading Week 5 – Turtle Dance (42 kid attendees)
 - 1) taught by Betsy
 - l. Summer Reading Week 6 – Rainbow Fish (104 kid attendees)
 - 1) taught by Betsy
 - m. Summer Reading Week 7 – Shark Week (81 kid attendees)
 - 1) taught by Betsy
 - n. Summer Reading Week 8 - Ocean Bingo (69 kid attendees)
 - 1) taught by Betsy

Grand Total for July 2022 = 18 Events with 535 Attendees

2. The total people count for July was 2,354 with 13 adult and 3 juvenile new cards registered.
3. The total item circulation for July was 10,111.
4. Kellee did an "intro to homeschooling" program.
5. The summer carnival was a great success
6. Betsy reported that our state and county funding will increase next year (2023) by 5%.
 - a. 2022 was \$101,142.00 and 2023 will be \$107,218.11.
7. It was suggested that the library send representation to the Tulpehocken Township meetings. The next meeting is scheduled for September 14th, starting at 7:00pm. They are held on the second Wednesday of the month.
 - a. It might be helpful to ask to do a presentation at the meeting to show what the library is doing for the community.

President's Report:

1. Building Renovation
 - a. Two bids came into the township
 - 1) The low bid came in from Arthur Funk and Sons: at \$1.3 to \$1.5 million.
 - b. The township supervisors want to look over plans before making a decision on them and going forward with the building.
 - c. It was suggested that we contact the township supervisors and the Township engineer to set up a meeting with them to go over the plans before they make a final decision.
 - 1) Mike and Paul will try to connect with the supervisors.
 - d. There was discussion on an alternate decision if new building plans are not accepted.
2. Kaitlin had mentioned that the library had lost a \$300,00 donation that was to be used to furnish the inside of the library, but with no building in the works we would not receive the monies.
3. Fundraising
 - a. The "Game of Chance" license should be completed soon and sent to the state.
 - b. Willie had mentioned that the raffle tickets will be ordered online.
 - 1) Suggestion was made to pull winning tickets at the November meeting.
 - c. Willie gave the board an updated list of donors for the raffle. There is a total of 21 items.
4. The board will still be doing "Thank You" letters for any donation given to the library.
5. It was mentioned that, before the Kurr Foundation will be giving out any grant monies, an application has to be filled out. Mike will connect with Kevin Murphy to get more information.
6. The library has received a \$250.00 donation from The Eagle Hotel, Frystown Fitness and Perserverance Fire Company combined.
7. Betsy mentioned doing a basket raffle at a later date.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:22pm. (Nancy/Linda)

Next regularly scheduled Meeting: Thursday, September 8th, 2022 starting at 7:00pm.

Bethel Township Supervisors meeting: Thursday, September 8th, 2022 starting at 6:00pm

Respectfully submitted: Nancy Guida