Kutztown Community Library

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

Thursday, February 9, 2023

1. Introductions:

- a. Present: Linda Foulke, Harry Heffelfinger, Holly Hildenbrand, Gerry Hynes, Kathryn Landis, Jennifer Lau, Sue Neumann, Ann Pirnot, Joshua Sprinkle, Janet Yost, (Library Director)
- b. Linda Foulke, President, called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. Meeting was held on zoom.
- 2. **Approval of Minutes:** Gerry made a motion to eliminate personal information about Our Friend of the year: Annette Heffelfinger under 5. a. as unnecessary. Seconded by Kathy Landis. Approved by all.

Gerry made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Josh. Approved by all.

3. Treasurer's Report (Harry)

Ann made a motion to approve the report, seconded by Sue & approved by all.

4. Librarian's Report (Janet)

- a. Uniform rules & regulations documents: all completed.
- b. Books for kids: partnered with KAHS Girls Varsity Basketball team and City Cuts barbershop. Over 100 people participated , 50 free books given away on Jan. 31.
- c. Teen Reading Lounge awarded a grant of \$3000.

5. **BCPL Meeting** (Gerry)

- a. On Feb. 15 final discussion on the borrowing policy will take place.
- b. Since our library belongs to the Berks Library system, a member from our Board must be at the meetings. Gerry is our liaison & we need an alternate.

6. Municipality Reports:

- a. Albany (Linda, Gerry, Sue-1st Monday, 7:30 p.m.)
- i. Lucy Muth will be asked to be our representative for Albany.
- b. Greenwich (Harry-1st Monday, 7:30 p.m.)
- c. Kutztown (Josh, Ann, Kathy, Holly-3rd Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.)
- d. Lyons (1st Monday, 7 p.m.)
- e. Maxatawny (Jennifer-2nd Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.)
 - i. Funding requests are usually made in September and a representative from the board is especially important at that municipality mtg.

7. Friends Report (Gerry): Next Mtg. Feb. 15.

- a. Bus almost full for Flower Show
- b. Friend of the Year reward will be presented to Annette Heffelfinger on March 1,6:30 p.m. at the Berks County Ag Center in Leesport.
- 8. **Committees** Discuss Committees and appointments
 - a. **Fundraising**: all will help as needed.

i. **2023 Books, Brew & BBQ July 16:** site-The Grove at Kempton, food-Messy Pig, entertainment-Hannah Violet and Dave Miller. Linda-lead organizer-everything in place.

Harry, Sue, Jen – committee members

- j. **Property**-Josh & Ann
- k. Personnel-Linda, Josh, Kathy
- I. Nominations-Gerry, Jennifer

9. Old Business

a. **New Trustee Orientations**: Jen, Sue, Kathy & Holly scheduled for in person training.

10. New Business

- a. Accessibility grant for opener for back door. Janet will apply.
- b. **Computers** got their last upgrade, MS windows 10. The Library has about 24 computers, monitors and scanners with varying dates.
- c. Library's 75th anniversary 2024

Celebration suggestions: put in motion by Oct-Nov.

- i. Gala
- ii. Jubilee book-work with Historical Society-Brendan Strasser
- iii. Special appeal letter
- iv. other
- 11. Meeting Adjourned 8 p.m. Harry made a motion, seconded by Sue. All approved

Next Board Meeting: Thursday, March 9 at 7 p.m. in person

Submitted by Ann Pirnot, Secretary