

Muhlenberg Community Library
Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
February 10, 2020

Call to Order: President Linda Roebuck called the meeting to order at 6:23 p.m.

Attendance: Linda Roebuck, Diane Benson, Terry Heckman, Judy Schwambach, Lori Madara, Joe Yarworth, Joan Crater, Cathy Meck.

Absent: Kathy Felker

Consent Agenda: Joe made a motion to accept the January Minutes and Library Report, Joan seconded it. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Was filed for audit.

Correspondence: Thank you letters are still going out from the fall campaign.

Library Director's Report:

The Pop-Up Health Resource Center started this past Monday, February 3, 2020. Charlotte Brewer has met with several of the teens that were here at our Library. It got off to a great start.

Library Awards – Our Library didn't personally win any BCPL Awards, but Mark Rozzi did win the Outstanding Local Official award, that was nominated on our behalf.

Melissa and Jacki were nominated for the I Love My Librarian national award. Neither won but it was an honor to be nominated by the public. What people said:

Jacki is always on point and tries to make sure there are fun things to do. She does a wonderful job of providing a variety of techniques to keep the children engaged. She's fun and motivated.

Melissa has transformed MCL from a place where people came just to get books to a place where people want to be. Programs have been expanded to include all age levels. Some of the more problem patrons have now begun to help better the Library.

The Library is looking for food donations for our teens that spend a lot of time in our Library. Lori has asked at her church for prepackaged, no cooking required, food donations. Also, Carey from the school cafeteria will be contacted to see if there is any way they can help us with this project. Most of our teens probably are part of the summer feeding program.

Personnel: Nothing to report.

System Meeting: None.

Old Business:

Keep selling Margherita tickets.

Primary Voting day – Have 3 nice raffle baskets out for voters to participate in besides our regular Library patrons. They will be displayed approximately April 13- May 4, 2020. We need baked goods for voting day too.

Book sale – April 15-18.

Purse Bingo – guests can purchase their tickets over the phone and pick up at the table on Bingo day. Lori will keep track of the tickets that are handed out to the Board members to sell and communicate with Melissa the number that have been sold so she knows approximately how many people have purchased tickets in advance. This is our biggest fund raiser to date, and we need to continue to make it better.

New Business:

Linda had checked on receiving a better interest rate for our money market and capital account. Customers Bank has a 1.0 rate compared to our .4 rate with them. Because of the increase in the rate we will stay with Customers Bank.

McDonald's Fund raiser will be on March 17, 2020. From 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. McDonald's will donate 20% of all sales during this time to our Library. We need Board members to be there throughout the night greeting guests and passing out flyers about our Library.

Flea Market is May 16th – we will now be in the main area and since the Rotary is also there, we cannot sell hotdogs. Instead we will be selling breakfast items, barbecue, etc. It is a new venture for us, and it will be an exciting challenge. Great exposure for our Library.

This is the Library's 60th year anniversary. We need to think of some way to celebrate this milestone.

Friends group is not expanding. We have voted unanimously to disband the group and close out the account.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Madara
Recording Secretary

Dates to Remember:

Next Meeting

March 9, 2020 at 6:30 p.m.