

HENDRICK HUDSON FREE LIBRARY - Board of Trustees Meeting January 23, 2023

Board members present: Philip Brandon, Tammi Trudel, Marie Manner, Kevin Quigley, Francoise LeGoues, Cindy Neff, Mark Geisler, Gina Goodenow, Charles Smith

Also present: Jill Davis, Director

Mr. Brandon called the meeting to order at 7:04 pm.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

The minutes of the November 23, 2022 meeting were approved on a **motion** made by Mr. Quigley and seconded by Ms. LeGoues; the motion carried (8-0) with 1 abstention (Mr. Geisler).

FINANCES – Mrs. Davis

Budget to Date - reviewed and accepted

Treasurer's Report - reviewed and accepted.

Miscellaneous Income Report - reviewed and accepted

Schwab Account Review – Representatives from Beacon Trust will be attending our February 2023 meeting to review our current investment accounts.

Fund Balance - A **motion** was made by Ms. LeGoues and seconded by Mr. Quigley to transfer \$100,000 from the 2021-2022 fund balance to a 1 year CD at TD Bank at the best available rate on or after February 1, 2023; the motion passed (9-0).

OLD BUSINESS

LED Sign Update

Mrs. Davis reported that the sign is up and running. It is controlled wirelessly and has been well received by the public. It has already brought in new patrons.

EV Charging Station

The charging station is partially installed. It was missing 8 bolts that have since been received. The electricians have been contacted and a date for the final installation can be scheduled.

Fundraising

The fundraising committee met and has identified the following for possible fundraisers in 2023:

- **Wine Bottle BINGO**-April 21
- **PeachSkin Sheets Fundraiser**-Month of June--Online
- **Library Mini Golf**-October 14-15 or 21-22
- **Original Artwork**- December 2023 in conjunction with Candy Houses
- **Art Auction**- February 2024--No gallery space available until then

NEW BUSINESS

Starting Salaries 2023-2024

A **motion** to accept the 2023-2024 Suggested Starting Salaries was made by Mr. Brandon and seconded by Mr. Smith; **motion** carried unanimously (9-0).

2023-2024 Budget

Mrs. Davis reported that she has begun work on the 2023-2024 library budget. It appears that even with the use of reserve money, the board will need to vote to override the 2% tax cap in

order to meet the 2023-2024 expenses. This will be discussed in greater detail at the February meeting.

2023-2025 Officers

The following will be the slate of officers presented at the April 24th Annual Meeting of the Hendrick Hudson Free Library:

- President - Kevin Quigley
- Vice President - Francoise Legoues
- Treasurer - Gina Goodenow
- Secretary - Tammi Trudel

2022-990's/Financial Statement

Mrs. Davis provided answers for previously submitted questions concerning the financial documents prior to the meeting. A **motion** to accept the 2021-2022, 990's and Financial Statement was made by Ms. Goodenow and seconded by Ms. Manner; motion carried unanimously (9-0).

BOE Library Budget Presentation

Mr. Brandon will present the Library's budget, for inclusion on the May 16th ballot, at the March 8th Board of Education meeting (time and place TBD). Mrs. Davis will attend along with any available trustees. Mrs. Davis will provide last year's talking points for Mr. Brandon to review and change accordingly.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Whistle-Blower Violations Report (April-September-**January**) - none reported.

Sound Bath

On January 6, a mental health Sound Bath evening was offered to staff. There were 12 attendees who spent an hour learning and experiencing the benefits of sound for assisting in lessening the effects of the crazy and anxiety-filled world we live and work in. The session was presented by local Reiki instructor and owner of the Rose Healing Center (Verplanck) Rosemary Boyle Lasher.

Bullet Aid-Sandy Galef

The library received the \$25,000 in bullet aid which was secured for us by Assemblywoman Sandy Galef. The money will be used to support the costs of the LED sign.

Trustee Training 2023

Beginning January 1, 2023 all library trustees are required to complete 2 hours of trustee training per calendar year. Mrs. Davis provided links to the 2023 NYS Trustee Handbook's Virtual Book Club's that they can attend to meet this requirement. Once completed all trustees should provide Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Kolesar with the date and title of the session taken.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS (**January**, May, September) - provided in meeting documents.

CORRESPONDENCE

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Brandon adjourned the meeting at 8:10 pm.

NEXT MEETING: February 27, 2023 – 7:00 pm (General Meeting)