

**Abington Public Library  
Board of Trustees**

Meeting Minutes

Date: April 7, 2014

Called to Order: 7:05

Attendees:

- ✓ Henry DiCarlo, Chairman
- ✓ Betty Henderson, Vice Chairman
- ✓ Jake O'Neill, Recording Secretary
- ✓ Will Adamczyk
- Christina McMahon
- ✓ Kathleen Jones
- ✓ Gail Bergin
- ✓ Laura Nuttall
- ✓ Gerry Haas
- ✓ Deb Grimmett, Library Director

Minutes for meeting held in February were reviewed by the board. **MOTION to accept the February minutes was made by Gerry, seconded by Kathy and accepted unanimously with 1 abstaining.**

Minutes for meeting held in March were reviewed by the board. **MOTION to accept the March minutes was made by Kathy, seconded by Betty and accepted unanimously with 1 abstaining.**

### **Chairman's Report**

- Betty and Barbara McLaughlin have both submitted nomination papers to run for Library Trustee. Jake will be running as a write-in candidate for the third as he didn't submit his paper work in time.
- Town Meeting was moved to June 9<sup>th</sup>.
- A charter review committee will be established this year. Five volunteers are being sought for the position. Notify Shawn Reilly if you are interested.

### **Library Director's Report**

- Financials – The financials for the year to date are in good shape. The gas and electric line items will be close and the book budget has only \$2000 remaining so it will be fine.
- Circulation – The April numbers were higher than previous month and previous year. The website hits were twice last month which may be due to the children's librarian job ad.
- Programming – School visits still occurring even with no children's librarian.
- TAB Meeting had 30 members in attendance at the last meeting. Moving forward, Chris will help with TAB.
- FOTL – working on the upcoming book sale on April 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>. Donations are ahead of schedule.

### **Building Update**

- Hot water heater has been fixed and the faucets are in process.
- Report on the roof shows it is in good shape other than some lichens that need to be removed.

### **Current Library Issues**

- There is no indication from Town Hall or Town Manager as to the FY15 budget.

- Abington Reads was well attended with 47 people at the author talk. The high school program was also well attended. Other events in February were impacted by weather conditions.
- Target Grant – Furniture purchased through the Kennedy Family donation. Waiting to get IPad mounts installed.
- LSTA Grant – signed and sent out.

### **Old Business**

- The Lions Penny drive kicked off at the parade and 63,000 pennies collected.
- Children's Librarian – Almost 20 resumes were received for the position. The candidates were narrowed down and several will run story hours at the library in the coming weeks.

### **New Business**

- The Trustees reviewed a new policy for the Library Programs. Deb will finalize a draft based on the discussion and will bring it to a future meeting.
- Summer Reading Program will include the potential adoption of three toed sloths and penguins. The schedule is being assembled and the Kick Off is June 19<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm.

### **The Next Board Meeting will be held**

**Elections April 26<sup>th</sup>**

**May 19<sup>th</sup> – Regular Meeting to be posted for 7:00 PM**

**June 9<sup>th</sup> - Trustees Meeting meeting to be posted at 6:30 PM before Town Meeting at 7:00 PM**

**MOTION to Adjourn @ 8:39 pm was made by Will, seconded by Gerry and accepted unanimously.**