

HUNTINGTON PUBLIC LIBRARY
338 Main Street
Huntington, NY 11743

MINUTES

Approved

Of a Regular Meeting of the Library Board of Trustees
Held March 22, 2022,
at the Station Branch Community Room

PRESENT: Trustees: Kim Hawkins, Ann Scolnick, Ann M. Berger, Charles Rosner, Pat McKenna-Bausch Library
Director: Joanne Adam; Assistant Library Director: Kristine Casper; Business Manager: Jennifer Mulvihill; Administrative Assistant: Gabriele Guerra

EXCUSED:

Ms. Hawkins called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Ms. Berger made a motion, seconded by Mr. Rosner, to approve the agenda as presented for the March 22, 2022, Board of Trustees Meeting. The vote was unanimous.

Ms. McKenna-Bausch made a motion, seconded by Ms. Berger, to approve the Library Board of Trustees Minutes of February 15, 2022. The vote was unanimous.

Kathy Morgan from the Friends of the Huntington Library was present to report on how the Friends group has been fairing during the pandemic. They have had several people resign from their Board including both secretaries and the vice-president. The president of the Board is resigning this year and Kathy is moving away at the end of the summer. They are hosting a tea party program on June 3rd to invite new members to the group and to look for replacements. The Friends have sponsored various reading club prizes: gift cards for both summer and winter reading clubs and museum passes. They have hosted two book sales with another one coming up end of May and a well-received Puzzle Swap.

Library Director, Joanne Adam presented the 2022 – 2023 Operating Budget being voted on April 5, 2022 and answered questions from the public in attendance.

Board of Trustee candidate, Kimberly Hawkins introduced herself, reviewed her experience as a member of the Board for the past five years, and answered questions from the public.

A period of public expression was offered.

A motion was made by Mr. Rosner, seconded by Ms. McKenna-Bausch, that Warrant #37, February End of Month, totaling \$326,864.36, is paid. The vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Ms. Scolnick, seconded by Mr. Rosner, that Warrant #38, March Disbursements, totaling \$285,946.57, is paid. The vote was unanimous.

Jennifer Mulvihill was available to answer questions and noted that she has received notification of a new state report requesting information about our energy consumption data that the Business Office staff is compiling.

Committee Assignments: The Policy Committee met to review Open Meetings and Patron Privacy policies to be approved by the Board under New Business.

A motion was made by Mr. Rosner, seconded by Ms. McKenna-Bausch, to accept the March 2022, Personnel Report as presented. The vote was unanimous.

Assistant Library Director Kristine Casper reported that over 40 members of the staff have completed the CPR/AED training and presented the plaque honoring the Bill Sansom donation to the Great Books program that will be hung in the Meeting Room at the Main.

Library Director Joanne Adam gave updates on the progress of the Budget Vote process that will be taking place at the Main on April 5, 2022; an exhibit on libraries at the Huntington Town Hall that features the history of our library, and introduced Mr. Bill Pardue, a local artist who is interested in donating his vast collection of original paintings to the Huntington Library.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

A motion was made by Mr. Rosner, seconded by Ms. Berger to approve the Open Meetings Policy as presented. The vote was unanimous.

A motion was made by Mr. Rosner, seconded by Ms. McKenna-Bausch to approve the Patron Privacy policy as presented. The vote was unanimous.

Kristine Casper presented the Annual Report for Public Libraries: 2021 to the Board and the public and answered questions.

A motion was made by Ms. Hawkins, seconded by Mr. Rosner to accept the Annual Report for Public Libraries: 2021 as presented. The vote was unanimous.

Correspondence & Communication: A thank you note was received from Joanne Adam thanking the Board for the flowers sent to her on the passing of her father.

A second period of Public Expression was offered.

At 7:49 p.m., a motion was made by Ms. Hawkins, seconded by Ms. Berger to adjourn the meeting. At 7:49 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted:

Prepared by:

Ann Scolnick, Secretary

Kristine M. Casper, Assistant Library Director