

MIINUTES
Huntington Woods Library Advisory Board
Meeting Date: Monday, September 19, 2022

Meeting called to Order at 7:01 pm.

Present: Deb Hemmye, Marty Ferman, Beth Applebaum, Stacey Stutcher, Mary Foreman, Judy Schram, Nina Abrams

- I. Call to Order-7:05 p.m.
- II. Approval of minutes of July 18, 2022 meeting
- III. Friends of the Library liaison report: Marty Ferman
Marty reported that the going away party for Anne Hage at the home of Annemarie Sanderson was well attended and a success.
The spring book sale resulted in a net \$2,000.00.
- IV. Librarian's report
 - a. Welcome to Shannon Rourke, Youth Services Coordinator.
Shannon hit the ground running and has already put programs in place.
 - b. Tech problems (door counter, wi-fi, Shannon's computer, internet and phones)
There are chronic unacceptable tech problems at the Library that frequently interfere with staff functions and Library activities. Deb is working with the City Manager for upgrades.
 - c. New Library cards in 4 designs are at the Library.
 - d. Sally Kohlenberg donations and artwork. There have been generous donations made in memory of Sally. Deb is investigating an appropriate memorial format in consult with Shelly Gach. They are hoping to work with local artists.
 - e. Library calendar (no Jewish holiday closings). There was a discussion regarding community feedback on the issue and LAB consensus on the calendar.
 - f. National Banned Books week is this week. There was a discussion about collection development policies, Michigan libraries and banned books, as well as national groups advocating for library censorship.

g. Changing library hours to be open seven days a week. There was a discussion about alternatives for changing library hours so that the Library is open seven days a week. There is a significant amount of community interest in having the Library open 7 days/week. Deb outlined some proposals and the discussion will continue.

h. Listening sessions. There was a discussion about community input outreach and communication.

V. Public Participation-None.

VI. Comments-Stacy Stutcher advised that she will reluctantly resign from this Board, due to planned surgery. All of those present agreed that she has been invaluable to the Board and how much she will be missed.

Next meeting: October 17, 2022

Adjournment -8:30 pm

Minutes prepared by Beth E. Applebaum