

## WEST DEPTFORD FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

March 27<sup>th</sup> 2023

Open Public Meetings Act: Pursuant to the New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act, notice of this meeting has been given 48 hours or longer in advance to the South Jersey Times newspaper, offices in Mullica Hill, New Jersey, and the Courier Post newspaper, offices in Cherry Hill, New Jersey. Also 58 hours or longer in advance notice of this meeting has been posted on the West Deptford Free Public Library website, has been posted on the front door of the West Deptford Free Public Library, and has been filed with the West Deptford Township Clerk. The public may participate in this meeting only during the times of the public portion, which takes place near the end of the meeting. O be recognized to speaker, members of the public must raise a hand. Upon recognition by the Chair an individual must give their name and address in an audible tone and will have (5) minutes to make a statement.

- A) Call to Order – Time 7:01pm
- B) Roll Call
  - a. Present in Person: Joanne Miller, Kathy Goggin, Lauren Sedberry, Meg Czuba
  - b. Absent: Stacy Reid, Angela Petruz
- C) Review of minutes from previous meeting: February 27,2023
  - a. Meg Czuba motioned to approve minutes
  - b. Seconded by Joanne Miller
  - c. All in favor, motion to approve minutes accepted
- D) Treasurer Report
  - a. Kathy Goggin motion to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$26,028.22
  - b. Seconded by Lauren Sedberry ,
  - c. All in favor, motion passed
- E) Director Report was distributed to the trustees via email and key highlights included:
  - a. Saturday, February 11, 2023 WDFPL celebrated Take Your Child to the Library Day with story times and activities help library users of all ages to get to know their library better. Youth Services scavenger hunts also continue to be popular with Library patrons. Youth Services conducted two outreach tours for Girls Scout Troop 61729 and LPDN school.\
  - b. WDFPL staff and Jen Valentine shared book page grab n go activities, movie nights snow slime creations, game nights, candy bar bingo, and other snack crafts. Teen and Tween coloring continues as an ongoing passive program.
  - c. Jay Espinal & Shawna Marchica-Vanleer Through Our Eyes Photography exhibit was featured in the Library Art Gallery in January and continuing through mid-March followed by WDMS Youth Art Month Exhibit Mid - March through April 2023
- F) Friends of the Library
  - a. Friends honey and used book sales continue. Grove Avenue exterior sign installation may be complete for National Library Week 2023.Dr. Matthew Huesser, WDFPL Board of Trustees President attended the friends meeting via zoom
- G) Report of the President of the Board of Trustees
  - a. Strategic Planning Committee development preparations are underway
  - b. Dr. Huesser, Carolyn Wood, and a representative from the Friends will meet with the Mayor and the CFO as a part of a steering committee on future library operations.
- H) Committee Reports

- a. Nothing to report
- I) Old Business
  - a. Nothing to report
- J) New Business
  - a. Resignation of Angela Petruz from the Board
- K) Open Session
  - a. One Speaker Susan Briant, Library consultant, spoke in regards to the moving of the library and how centralized library services are key to the community.
- L) Adjournment
  - a. Motion to adjourn made by Kathy Goggin
  - b. Seconded by Joanne Miller
  - c. All in favor, adjournment at 7:46pm.