

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

May 22<sup>nd</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. To 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 7:04 pm
- B) Swearing in – Brian Gismondi was sworn into the WDFPL Board as the school district representative. Joanne Miller was named Vice President of the WDFPL Board and Meg Czuba agreed to become secretary once properly trained.
- C) Roll Call
  - a. Present in Person: Joanne Miller, Kathy Goggin, Lauren Sedenberry, Meg Czuba, Stacy Reid, Brian Gismondi
- D) Review of minutes from previous meeting: April 27, 2023
  - a. Meg Czuba motioned to approve minutes
  - b. Seconded by Joanne Miller
  - c. All in favor, motion to approve minutes accepted 19,468.67.
- E) Treasurer Report
  - a. Kathy Goggin motion to approve payment of the bills in the amount of \$17,958.25
  - b. Seconded by Lauren Sedenberry,
  - c. All in favor, motion passed
- F) Director Report was distributed to the trustees via email and key highlights included:
  - a. NLW23 teen activities were hosted by Jen Valentine who also coordinated Earth Day activities with volunteers participating in WDT Environmental Commission and Library friends Earth Day Library garden clean up. WDFPL staff and Jen Valentine shared book page grab n go activities, movie nights,
  - b. Crafternoon afternoons, game nights, Tasty Tuesday food crafts, and other snack crafts. Teen and Tween coloring continues as an ongoing passive program Gallery
  - c. Maureen St. John's photography exhibit is featured through May and June 2023
- G) Friends of the Library
  - a. Friends Meeting – Jensen Graham shared her update at the friends of the West Deptford Free Public Library meeting. Friends honey and used book sales continue. Honey sales are growing. Grove Avenue exterior sign installation was to be complete for National Library Week 2023. Astro Signs is scheduled to install the new Grove Avenue sign in May 2023.
- H) 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.
- I) Committee Reports
  - a. Nothing to report
- J) Old Business
  - a. Nothing to report
- K) New Business
  - a. Nothing to report
- L) Open Session
  - a. No speakers.
- M) Adjournment
  - a. Motion to adjourn made by Brian Gismondi
  - b. Seconded by Meg Czuba
  - c. All in favor, adjournment at 7:31pm.