

Margaret Reaney Memorial Library

Board of Trustees Minutes

May 12th 2025

Called to order at 4:34pm

Those present: Stephanie Cuomo, Lisa Harvey, David Salvagni, Becky Sokol, Judy Swartz, (Diane Empie, director). Ayssa Mason and Nancy Stowell were absent.

No guest/public comment

Motion made by Judy Swartz to approve last month's minutes, Seconded by David Salvagni, all ayes.

Motion made by David Salvagni to approve the financial report and vouchers. Seconded by Becky, all ayes.

Director's Report:

Diane spoke about a grant totaling \$7383 for transferring newspapers to microfilm. The completion date is estimated to be June 30th 2026. Any funds remaining can be used for other microfilm projects. She is also asking for a letter of support from the board in regards to a grant for accessibility construction. The planning committee will meet to draft the letter. July 28th the library will run the concessions at the Music at the Marina. The fundraising committee will meet to decide what to serve and create a sign up sheet. We will ask Stewarts for ice cream.

We have received a letter of interest from Sylvia McClellan for our vacant board seat. Diane will also post the open seat publicly. We received a letter of resignation from Alyssa Mason.

Committee Reports:

Public relations: The committee will follow up on having a gift card bingo at the benefit club. Possible date will be October 18th.

Finance and Personnel: The committee looked at the vouchers and approved. We are holding off on the budget until after the May 20th vote. We reviewed the evaluation form and the retirement disclosure.

Museum: The committee met and worked on listing books in the hallway. We also talked about the workroom and what to do with items in there. We are working on what can go and what can stay.

Building and Grounds: No committee meeting

Planning, Research and Development: We will meet to write the letter of support.

Friends of the Library: No committee meeting

Old Business: none

New Business:

Accept with regret Alyssa Mason's resignation from the board. Motion by Becky, seconded by Judy, ayes all.

Vote on officers, Stephanie Cuomo as President, Nancy Stowell as Vice President, David Salvagni as Secretary, and re-appoint Michelle as treasurer. Motion made by Becky, seconded by David, ayes all.

Approve retirement opt out and evaluation form.

We set May 27th at 2pm for the budget review meeting.

Diane is still working with Wade at MVLS on talking points for the tax levy increase.

We approved the future sale of the elephant collection. Motion made by Becky, seconded by Judy, ayes all.

We spoke about the community picnic on June 8th and how the library/museum could participate.

Motion made to adjourn by Judy, seconded by Becky at 5:35. Ayes all.