



Horsham Township Library Board of Directors Meeting Minutes November 16th 2022

The Board of Directors of the Horsham Township Library met Wednesday, November 16th in the Library's Meeting Room. The meeting was called to order at 7:04 PM.

The following people were present: Milt Kunz, Cindy Weinrich, Janet Whiteside, Kelly Eberle, Marie Clark and library director Regina Vesley.

Minutes

Minutes from meeting were approved with no additions or corrections after a motion by Milt and a second by Karen.

Financial Report

Library Director Regina Vesely began her report which is attached.

Librarian's Report

Regina began her report by updating us on Library activities which is also attached:

Unfinished Business

- Programming Pavilion will be completed by April, 2023. Funds for this project came from the American rescue Plan. There will be a Ribbon Cutting ceremony in the Spring of 2023. The date is TBD.
- Flagpole will be replaced and we are asking for grass seed to be sown and grass to be trimmed around it every time the library is mowed.
- There are no monies to replace the siding on the building currently.
- Library needs a new roof on the flat part of the building. RFPs will go out in early 2023.

New Business

- 2023 Budget was finalized in late October with our state monies. Monies will go to staff salaries and to adding to our collection.
- Meeting dates were set for 2023 and are as follows: January 25th, March 22nd, June 21st, and September 20th.
- Elections were held for 2023. The results are as follows: Milt Kunz, President, Cindy Weinrich, Secretary, Janet Whiteside, Treasurer.

Announcements

- December 1-3, 2022 will be the Friends Holiday Book Sale.
- Holiday Market will be December 11th at the Community Center from 10:00Am - 1:00 PM.

Adjournment and reminder of next meeting

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 7:45 PM. The next meeting will be held January 25th, 2023 at 7:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy Weinrich

Director's Report November 16, 2022

Financial Report

2023 budget items of note:

- *\$10,194 was submitted for reimbursement in August for the programming porch. Funds have been delayed but we were approved.*
- *Library roof-needs replaced in 2023 due to an abundance of leaks. The initial estimate was \$340,000 and more estimates have been sought. John Rawluk from Public Works is heading up the search and American Rescue Plan grant funds are slated to be used for the repair work.*
- *Hoopla use increased by 31% from 2021-2022 so we will be decreasing cd audiobook purchasing to fund Hoopla as the circulation numbers support that the use is moving to digital.*
- *State Aid was increased for 2023 to \$95,040.*

Director's Report

Friends Updates- Friends held their annual meeting last Wednesday with 16 in attendance. Their first book sale in the meeting rooms will be Dec. 1-3 with books jewelry and poinsettias from Kohler Farms. They will also be hosting the Amble Station Singers for a holiday concert Saturday Dec. 2 at 2pm.

Programming update SRC – Saw a 154% increase in program attendance and 15% increase in summer reading logging over 2021.

General programming- Held our first summer with a full 4 day a week story times throughout, very popular will keep this on the calendar. The 3 weeks on, one week off format is working well and will continue into 2023. On the “off” weeks we will have large programs such as Music and Fun with Mr Bryan, character parties, pop in projects, and stay and play sessions.

We've placed an emphasis on senior programming with senior social hour, senior scrabblers, and senior movies. In 2023 we're hosting some senior health programs presented by educators from the Montco office of Senior services.

Teens have been keeping the entry and front desk decorated which has been a big hit. Winter is next for December. They have also put together some passive programs such as children's area scavenger hunt for Halloween and I Spy in the hallway display cases over the summer.

Introducing a new series of adult programs aimed at millennials call Adult Night Out. These will be once monthly in the winter/spring and offer an opportunity for adults to get together and create something, the first is Galentine's Day themed to make a small gift for a girlfriend.

- Rentals - we issued 289 pavilion permits and 55 resident community center rentals to date.
- Collection-two new sections have been added to our collection. World Languages with all our material that is in any language but English (these are not learn another language books). Second was created as part of a capstone project for a library sciences masters program called Literacy for Every Adult, containing high interest books for adults who are not as confident in their reading abilities. Both located next to biography.

Unfinished Business

- **Programming Porch** Funded by the ARP Grant through the State Library the porch concrete has been poured and shade erected. The picnic tables are also out. In the spring the fabric will be added to the shade, the foam tiles will be laid and we're planning a ribbon cutting type of event.

New Business – 2023 Plan for State Aid was submitted to the state the final week of October. The new amount for 2023 of \$95,040 will be used towards staff salaries and collection development.

Announcements – Holiday Market is 12/11 in the Community Center.