

Hopewell Public Library  
Hopewell, NJ  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
January 8, 2015

Board Members Present: President, Woody Carsky-Wilson; Vice-President, Katherine Dresdner; Trustee, Bill Baumbach; Trustee, Dee Dyer; HVRSD Board Representative, June Montanari; Trustee, Erica Disch; Trustee, Kurt Reynertson.

Also Present: Library Director, Anne Zeman.

Not Present: Hopewell Borough Mayor's Representative, Sky Morehouse.

1. Call to Order: 7:00 p.m., followed by announcement of compliance with "Open Public Meetings Act" and roll call of trustees.
2. Announcements:
  - a. Woody and the Board welcomed new Trustees Erica Disch and Kurt Reynertson.
  - b. Woody and Katherine will give a basic trustee training session next month, as part of the Board's continuing education requirement.
  - c. Minutes from the December, 2014 Board meeting were approved as amended.
  - d. Woody called for nominations for the 2015 Board officers. The following were nominated, seconded and approved as shown:  
President: Katherine (Woody, Bill, 5-0-1)  
Vice-President: Woody (Katherine, June, 5-0-1)  
Secretary: Kurt (Woody, Katherine, 5-0-1)  
Treasurer: Bill (Katherine, Woody, 5-0-1)
  - e. Katherine thanked Woody on behalf of the Board for his three years of service as Board President, and recommended resolutions for the leaving Board Trustees, Kate Elliott and Phil Brennan (Woody, Bill, 6-0-0).
3. Director's Report:
  - a. A check for \$1,000 to Ronnie Bregenzer, for architectural services related to the proposed purchase of 64 E. Broad St. for a new Library building, was approved (Woody, Bill, 6-0-0). It was noted that these funds should be withdrawn from the capital account.
  - b. Anne noted generous patron donations of \$641 during December.
  - c. The total for all Library accounts was \$138,127.33 as of December 31.
  - d. Statistics were down (except for children's books) compared with December 2013, in part due to computer problems during December. Seven new patrons registered, for a total of 1505.
  - e. The Holiday closings list for 2015 was presented, with no changes from 2014, and approved (Bill, Woody, 6-0-0).
  - f. The calendar of Board of Trustee meetings for 2015 (listed below), was approved (Erica, Katherine, 6-0-0).
  - g. Anne presented the Year End Review to the Board, which was highly appreciated for its thoroughness and insight.

h. Anne presented the proposed Budget for 2015. A brief discussion ensued, in part to explain budgeting issues to the new Trustees. The proposed budget was approved (Woody, June, 6-0-0).

4. New Business:

- a. Executive Session, begun at 8:35 and ending at 8:45, for personnel discussion, was approved (Katherine, Bill, 6-0-0; Katherine, Woody, 6-0-0).
- b. Anne noted that a \$100 bill was found in the donations box!
- c. A brief discussion of committee membership was held; Woody noted that no committee is allowed to contain a quorum. Committee memberships were not formalized.
- d. Two half-hour Trustee training sessions are planned for the next two meetings.

5. Adjournment: 8:50 p.m. (Woody, Katherine; 6-0-0).

Board of Trustees meetings for 2015:

February 12

March 12

April 9

May 14

June 11

July 9

August 13

September 10

October 8

November 12

December 10

January 14, 2016