



Meeting Minutes Library Board

Wednesday, February 25, 2015

6:30 PM

Public Library

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Present 5 - Board Member Marilyn Menish-Meucci, Board Member Chelsea Tremblay, Student Representative Jasmine Ieremia, Board Member Sunny Rice, and Board Member Elizabeth Thompson

Excused 3 - Board Member Mary Ellen Anderson, Board Member Alec McMurren, and Board Member Barbara Fish

2. Approval of the Minutes

approved

3. Amendment & Approval of Meeting Agenda

Item 4b - Summer Reading presentation postponed

approved as amended

Attachments: LIB#15-009 Minutes

4. Visitors Views Unrelated to Agenda

a. Doris Olsen - Public Art/Workshops proposal

Doris Olsen reviewed the proposal for a 'Teen Room Mobile Project' that was included in the packet. It was clarified that while a series of 3 workshops/4 mobiles were in the proposal, it was possible for the Board and Teen Advisory Group(GOAT) to pick and choose what they wanted to do in the teen room. They could even suggest changes to what was proposed. GOAT would not necessarily do these projects themselves unless they decided that was a priority. The wider community would potentially be invited to participate in these workshops. The question of how permanent the pieces would be was discussed. Because of the materials used (ie: paper) they might be quasi-permanent but would last a long time. It was noted that this would be fine as a subsequent teen group might be interested in doing something different.

This concept was before the board because they have final say with the inclusion of new public art. It was generally agreed that the concept was worth pursuing and that the Library Director should look into potential funding sources. The concept will next be reviewed by GOAT.

discussed

Attachments: [LIB#15-010 Olsen Proposal](#)

5. Visitors Views Related to Agenda

6. Staff Report

Library Landscaping

On January 30, 2015 the Borough received and opened two sealed proposals for the Public Library Landscaping

project. After careful review of each proposal, the review committee has selected Reid Brothers Construction as the highest ranked respondent. Bids came in high, so we are now in the process of value engineering and looking for efficiencies. Pending final contract negotiations, the review committee will recommend that award of the subject RFP be made to Reid Brothers Construction at the next regular Borough Assembly meeting scheduled for Monday, March 2, 2015. It was clarified that the proposed contract was a full landscaping of the site, from the front of the building down to Centennial Park. The board also discussed the Haugen Drive project that may be happening concurrently and result in a cross walk at 2nd and Haugen.

Grants Awarded

- First Bank – A \$2900 grant was received from First Bank for Summer Reading
- ECE Grant – A \$2000 grant was received from the State Library's Early Childhood Literacy to purchase a rug for the children's area as well as some educational play equipment.

Programs/Events

- Words for Whiskers has been launched, please participate!
- Eliza Warmack taught an after school program 'Finger Tip Painting'
- Our first 'Music in the Stacks' performance was a hit
- 'King of Fish' book drop on March 7; book discussion tentatively planned for March 31
- Mary Koppes is teaching 3 writing workshops
- There is open chess play at the library every Monday evening at 6:30, this replaces the 'Chess Club'
- There are 2 Science Series programs planned for March, one on bats and the other the PHS High School Science Fair presentations.
- A few other things in the works:
Paddle Carving Workshop with the One People, One Canoe Society (March)
Weaving workshop with renowned Tlingit weaver Delores Churchill (October)
Workshop with artist Andi Thrans has been postponed

discussed

Attachments: [LIB#15-011 Director's Report](#)

7. Unfinished Business

8. New Business

approved

- a. **Proposed Opt Out Photo Policy: All library cardholders have consented to the library using photographs when they register for a card, in addition to that it is suggested that the library post this 'opt out' policy to cover non-card holders: "The Petersburg Public Library is permitted to take photographs and video footage of people of all ages at the library and at library sponsored events for publicity. If you do not want to be photographed or filmed, please opt-out by notifying library staff."**
- b. **Technology Plan 2015-2018. This plan is required for our Erate federal telecommunications subsidy. Our current plan expires in Oct 2015.**
approved as amended

Attachments: LIB#15-012 Technology Plan

9. Communication

- a. **2015 Arts Education Endowment Spendable Amount letter. This is presented for informational purposes only. A plan for spending these funds will appear on the Board's agenda later in 2015.**

discussed

Attachments: [LIB#15-013 Arts Education Endowment](#)

- b. **The Friends reported a profit of \$120 at their Feb 7 book sale.**

discussed

- c. **The Museum is interested in editions of the Pilot that are of historic significance.**

discussed

10. Discussion Items

11. Adjournment

adjourned