

BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES MEETING
MINUTES Monday, June 12, 2023 – 7:00 pm
(Trustee Room Milton Public Library)

PRESENT: Will Adamczyk, Paul Hays, John Folcarelli, Phil Driscoll, Sindu Meier, Jim Potter, Mike Musto, Hyacinth Crichlow.

ABSENT: Jaime Levash, Sindu Meier

PRESENTATION OF THE STACKPOLE SCHOLARSHIPS

CITIZEN SPEAK: None.

SECRETARY REPORT: March 13 and May 1 Minutes; motion made by John Folcarelli, 2nd Hyacinth Crichlow, approved unanimously.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER/FINANCE:

Review of Bartholomew's investment policy and investment percentage and the approved 70 - 30% split of investments and move to adopt Prudent Investor ESG. This process has begun with the intent to reach the goal within a calendar year if not sooner.

Motion made by Hyacinth Crichlow, 2nd by John Folcarelli approved unanimously

REPORT OF THE BUILDING COMMITTEE:

Updates on parking and patio projects which are moving forward.

REPORT OF THE EQUITY COMMITTEE:

Plans to meet with friends of library in July, organizing library's fall event.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR:

Personnel Committee met with director, will be drafting formal evaluation. Reviewed goals for 2024.

May was highest wifi usage we've ever recorded. Highest use of Kanopy in several years. Physical use as strong as it ever was. Staffing-wise, new part-time position starts in July. Town DEI training continues, director has done multiple trainings. Library staff has attended numerous trainings. Pleased with state aid to public libraries amounts in House and Senate budget.

Speaker series, have reached out to speakers, prices ranging from 10k to 35k, funded by foundation. Looking at having 2 speakers at least, and one children's author at least.

REPORT OF LIBRARY PARTNER ORGANIZATIONS:

Foundation met on 6/12/23 – voted to approve updated bylaws – more accurately reflect responsibilities of the foundation, includes an explicit mission statement as well. \$1.6M in fund, \$100K of which is cash.

LIBRARY DIRECTOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT REQUEST

Tuition reimbursement for \$8200 from general fund. Motion made by John Folcarelli, seconded by Hyacinth Crichlow. Unanimously approved.

WRITER IN RESIDENCE UPDATE

Completed first round of interviews for writer in residence. Motion to fund writer-in residence program at \$6K from general fund for FY24. Motion made by Kristine Hodlin, seconded by Philip Driscoll. Unanimously approved.

ADJOURN: A motion by Phil Driscoll and seconded by Hyacinth Crichlow to adjourn the meeting was passed unanimously, and the meeting adjourned at 8:02 PM.

NEXT MEETING: September 11, 2023 at 6:30 in the downstairs meeting room for the Triad State of the Library presentation and Trustees meeting.