

BOARD OF LIBRARY DIRECTORS OF CHELTENHAM TOWNSHIP

MINUTES

April 26, 2017

Present at the meeting: Barbara Kotzin, Commissioner Irv Brockington, Myron Goldman, Elizabeth Saccardi, Dan Schultz, Stephanie Vacharat, Carrie Turner (Director), Andrea White and Angela Lang.

PUBLIC COMMENT None

CONSENT AGENDA

MINUTES

TREASURER'S REPORT

DIRECTOR'S INFORMATIONAL REPORT

Correction to the Minutes:

Ms. Saccardi was not at the March 22 meeting.

Mr. Goldman made the motion to accept the Consent Agenda, Ms. Kotzin seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT (Barbara Kotzin)

- Ms. Kotzin reported that she had a monthly meeting with Bryan Havar, Township Manager.
- On April 28, there will be a workshop to discuss a dedicated library tax.
- The BOD discussed the possibility of the Township contributing more funds to CTLS.
- The Benefit Concert brought in about \$4000.

DIRECTOR'S ACTION REPORT (Carrie Turner)

- PA's Education Investment Tax Credit (EITC). Ms. Turner reported on this program available to CTLS now we are a 501 (c)(3) organization
- Benefit Concert. Ms. Turner reported on the concert based on her conversations with others. Ken Ulansey was excellent as the Master of Ceremonies. She reported that on May 17, the Commissioners will give community service awards to the performers and the Older Adult Subcommittee. There was a discussion of possibilities changes for a concert next year.
- Meeting minutes. Commissioner Ann Rappoport asked that the Library Board of Directors (BOD) post their minutes on the CTLS website. Mr. Schultz made the motion to place the minutes online, Ms. Kotzin seconded the motion and the motion carried with four yeas, and 3 abstentions.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Fundraising Committee.

- Ms. Saccardi and Mr. Schultz reported on their progress. Ms. Saccardi made three recommendations to bring in funds. CTLS could send out a spring letter appealing to donors, raise awareness about planned giving and encourage matching fund donations.
- Mr. Schultz reported on state contributions and that giving could be done through corporate donations, family foundations and the Knight Foundation.
- Ms. Kotzin thanked both for sharing their expertise in fundraising.

HEAD LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Angela Lang, Head Librarian, from East Cheltenham gave her report which is attached.

UPDATES FROM FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY GROUPS

East Cheltenham.

- The Pansy sale brought in \$500.
- On Primary Election Day, Tuesday, May 16, the Friends will have a bake sale.

Elkins Park.

- Mr. Goldman reported that the meeting that was to be held Tuesday, April 25 was cancelled.
- In March, four people were added to their Friends Board.
- The April booksale went well and the May booksale will be have discounted prices.
- The Friends are also sponsoring a hand puppet sale on April 29 from 10 am to 4 pm and on April 30 from 1 to 3:30 pm.

Glenside.

- Mr. Updike reported that twenty people attended the March 23 program on advocacy, presented by two professors from Arcadia University.
- Ten people attended the April 13 program on buying a car.
- Master Gardeners are volunteering their time to instruct a Boy Scout Troop to maintain the foliage in front of the library.

La Mott.

- On Saturday, April 1, the Friends screened *The Queen of Katwa* for the community.
- Joan Stern passed away in April 2017. Joan sponsored the Peter Stern Lecture Series that is held each fall at the La Mott Branch
- On Primary Election Day, the Friends will have a book and bake sale.

UPDATE FROM COMMISSIONER

Commissioner Brockington thanked CTLS for the Benefit Concert. He also said that the Commissioners would like to receive the BOD minutes.

OLD BUSINESS

Commissioner Brockington commented on term limits for officers.

NEW BUSINESS

Commissioner Brockington will take a summary of the BOD meeting to the Commissioners' meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An Executive Session was held at 8:50 pm to discuss personnel matters.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 24 @ 7 pm at the Elkins Park Library.