



Meeting Minutes Library Board

Wednesday, April 28, 2021

2:00 PM

Public Library (Zoom)

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Present 5 - Board Member Barbara Fish, Board Member Alec McMurren, Board Member Gina Esposito, Board Member Elizabeth Thompson, and Board Member Elisa Teodori

Excused 2 - Board Member Marilyn Menish-Meucci, and Board Member Mary Ellen Anderson

2. Approval of the Minutes

approved

Attachments: [LIB042821-1 MINUTES.pdf](#)

3. Amendment & Approval of Meeting Agenda

approved

4. Visitors Views Unrelated/Related to Agenda

5. Staff Report

Landscaping - Jesse O'Connor retires on April 30. He designed the library's gardens and has done a phenomenal job of taking care of them. We will miss him! This summer Matt Gerrits will take care of the grounds (mowing, weeding, watering) and Andrea Weathers will create and maintain our planters and hanging baskets. Lizzie kindly agreed to do a thank you card for him.

FY21 Budget - CARES Act funding covered some of our expenses this year, as a result there are extra funds left in the budget. This will allow for the replacement of some IT equipment (domain controller, switches, computers) and the CCTV system to be purchased with FY21 funds.

Grants - Applications have been submitted for the IMLS Basic Grant (\$10,000) and Public Library Assistance Grant (\$7000). Both grants are used to purchase books and DVDs.

New Website Draft - As part of the larger project to move the Borough website to Municode, the library's website will also be moved and see some changes. A draft of the front page can be viewed at:

http://designs.municodeweb.com/petersburg_library_F2.html

Summer Programs - This year we will run 3 programs plus 1,000 books before Kindergarten. Donor letters have been sent out (see attached). Program graphics are also attached. All programs are online. In late May displays will go up in the library foyer and a banner will be hung out front.

- 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten
- Bookworms (0-5)
- Summer STREAM (5-12)
- Read around the World (Teens and adults)

I will be out of the office May 1-16

Attachments: LIB042821-2 SUMMER PROGRAMS.pdf

6. Unfinished Business

a. FY22 Proposed budget

FY22 Budget - An additional \$5,000 is now included for landscaping.

discussed

Attachments: LIB042821-3 FY22 BUDGET.pdf

7. New Business

8. Discussion Items

a. Friends of Petersburg Libraries

National Library week activities were a great success, thank you to all who participated. Book sale donations are now being accepted. Drop off is encouraged on Saturdays, but front desk staff will take them any time.

discussed

b. Kupreanof Donation

The City of Kupreanof makes an annual donation of \$500 to the library every year. Lizzie wrote them a thank you card on behalf of the Board.

discussed

c. ALA Top 10 Most Challenged Books of 2020

The Board discussed the American Library Association most challenged books for 2020 and the library's Selection of Materials/Intellectual Freedom Policy.

discussed

Attachments: LIB042821-4 ALA CHALLENGES & PPL POLICY.pdf

d. Next meeting

The meeting is tentatively scheduled for May 26.
discussed

9. Adjournment