



June 17, 2019

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Reading Public Library commenced at 4:30 PM, 113 S. 4th St., Reading, PA. Dennis Skayhan, Vice President presiding.

Present: Zelda Yoder, Paul Hoh, Dennis Skayhan, Michel Micozzi, Alfonso Pena, Keith Mooney, Greg Knies, Alan Carman, Maureen Dolan, Bronwen Gamble and Vicky Fuller.

Absent: Nancy Campbell, Salvadore Sepulveda, Renee Dietrich, Tamara Smith, Sherry Cameron, Ernie Schlegel. Excused.

Guest: Nick Bieber from Herbein + Company, Inc.

Public Comment: None

Minutes: Motion to approve the May 2019 Minutes was made by Zelda Yoder, seconded by Keith Mooney. Approved.

Treasurers Report: Report given by Alan Carman. Motion to accept the May Treasurer's Report was made by Maureen Dolan and seconded by Michel Micozzi. Accepted.

Director's Report: Report given by Bronwen Gamble. Bronwen mentioned that the Children's Urban Garden was located along the side of the Foundation Building. The mobile technology vans are out and about in the city. Summer Steam made 11 stops in one week. We are managing the 2 vans via a google calendar. Northwest has opened the additional day for the summer. Thank you to Paul Hoh for reaching out to the church for donations to cover the extra day charges incurred at Northwest. The Teen Summer Employment program has filled all 30 positions.

Library Services: No Report.

Facilities: Maureen Dolan reported that they have looked at the glass walls and furniture for the Main Library meeting room space and are waiting on pricing proposals. Public Works has been kept busy due to a gas leak and a water leak at Main. The HVAC has been tweaked by Honeywell due to the warmer temps experienced on the 3rd floor.

Finance: Greg Knies reported that the Finance Committee met prior to the board meeting. Greg spoke to the board about some of the issues that we have been experiencing with Fulton bank, to include losing a significant deposit and the difficulties afterwards getting records reconciled. The committee discussed changing banks based on the information gathered by Bronwen Gamble, Library Director and Alan Carman, Board Treasurer.

Motion to change banking from Fulton Financial to BB&T was made by Greg Knies. Discussion ensued regarding that BB&T would be merging and changing name to Truist Financial. Bronwen mentioned that BB&T had already disclosed that the merger was in the works. Keith Mooney said that Suntrust, being the smaller bank would be adopting the policies and procedures of BB&T, that these merger types happen often. With no other discussion, the motion was then seconded by Alan Carman. Approved. Keith Mooney abstained from voting due to the fact both banks are clients, all remaining members voted unanimously.

Nick Bieber from Herbein + Company presented the library audit for 2018. Copies of the audit had previously been distributed before the board meeting. Mr. Bieber went through the audit and answered any questions that arose.

Motion to accept the audit was made by Alfonso Pena, seconded by Alan Carman. Approved.

Personnel: No Report

Advancement: Report given by Alfonso Pena. Celebrity Bartender will be held at Canal Street Pub on September 12th. Two more "celebrities" have committed to being bartenders.

Strategic Planning: Paul Hoh discussed input from the staff regarding removal of fines that children have acquired. He suggested having another meeting on August 19th.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: None

Trivia: What was the name of the opossum found in the library that was taken to the Red Creek Wildlife Center.

Answer: Dewey. You can follow his progress by calling the center and providing his case number 21675.

Motion to adjourn made by Zelda Yoder, seconded by Maureen Dolan. Approved.

Respectively submitted as drafted by Vicky Fuller,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sherry Cameron". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name and title.

Sherry Cameron
Board Secretary