

**Mount Laurel Library
Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting Minutes
August 21, 2019**

CALL TO ORDER: 6:02 P.M.

FIRE SAFETY INFORMATION: Provided by Mr. Stridick

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING LAW STATEMENT:

Mr. Stridick stated that this meeting is being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Notice of the meeting was provided by way of the Burlington County Times, the Central Record, and the Mount Laurel Sun, and it was posted in the library and on its website.

ROLL CALL:

Gina Acerbo - present
Diane Blair - *absent*
Karen Cohen - present
Noreen Duffey - *absent*
Marie Kromplewski - *absent*
Dennis Marks - present
Stephanie Sawyer – present
Stephen Steglik - *absent*
Walter Stridick - present

ALSO PRESENT:

Keith Trimble, Esq.
Becky Boydston
Gayle McCormick

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

APPROVAL of MINUTES:

Approval of minutes of July 17, 2019 meeting
Motion: Ms. Acerbo
2nd: Mr. Marks
All in Favor

APPROVAL of BILL LIST plus BILL LIST ADDENDUM:

Motion: Mr. Marks
2nd: Ms. Cohen

Roll Call: 5 yes votes on all bills except Artcraft. Ms. Sawyer abstained from voting to approve the Artcraft bill due to potential conflict of interest. Mr. Trimble agreed it would be best to err on the side of caution. With only 4 yes votes, the Artcraft bill will held for approval at next month's meeting.

REPORT from LIBRARY STAFF:

Mount Laurel in the News

CBS3 highlighted Mount Laurel Township in a special televised segment. The library was included in the report and footage of firefighter story time was shown.

New Museum Passes

Ms. Boydston is in the process of obtaining a few new museum passes, including Alice Paul Institute, The Mercer Museum, Fonhill Castle in Doylestown, and The Intrepid Sea, Air & Space Museum in New York.

Incidentally, Governor Murphy signed a bill designating January 11th Alice Paul Day. Library activities regarding Alice Paul are being planned for that date.

Ms. Sawyer believes it is a good idea to promote the new passes on Facebook.

OLD BUSINESS:

Mr. Stridick has distributed a survey for the Library Director's performance evaluation. He hopes to have more information to present at the September meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ms. Boydston has received notice that a publisher, MacMillan, is changing their e-book purchasing policy for libraries. The end result will limit access to only one copy of popular e-books upon release. Additional copies will be available after 8 weeks. Also, we participate in a buying consortium which consists of 45 libraries and only one copy of new e-books would be available to the entire consortium. The expected consequence is that patrons will have to wait in longer queues to borrow e-books. MacMillan's new policy is set to begin November 1st. Libraries participating in the consortium are considering boycotting MacMillan. Ms. Boydston will keep Trustees posted.

Ms. Sawyer asked whether consideration could be given to extending the check-out period for DVD sets since it takes longer to view all items. Ms. Boydston will look into this.

Ms. Boydston stated that the Book Club 2 Go section of the library has been reorganized and spread out, thus making selections easier to find.

RESOLUTION 2019-26: Authorization to Sell Surplus on Better World Books

This is a continuation of periodic effort to remove outdated and otherwise unusable materials (books, DVDs) from the library's collection since the last approval.

Motion to approve: Mr. Marks

2nd: Ms. Sawyer

Roll Call: 5 yes votes

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn at 6:31 PM: Ms. Cohen

All in favor