

BOARD OF BRIDGEWATER LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Tuesday May 16, 2023

In attendance: Constance Franciosi, Jennifer Anderson, Nancy Donnelly, Janet Dye, Joan Carson, Nancy Sarno

Also in attendance was Director Jed Phillips.

Chairman Franciosi opened the meeting at 7:06.

The agenda was approved.

In the absence of the Secretary, there was no report.

CHAIR REPORT'

Connie welcomed new trustees Joan Carson and Nancy Donnelly and asked all trustees to speak briefly about themselves.

Connie reported that the trustee recognition of Library Workers Day was a great success. As her last duty as a trustee, Robyn Golden outdid herself. She decorated the room beautifully with much of the decor remaining permanently. Trustees provided coffee and baked goods. We decided to send Robyn a thank you card and a gift certificate to her favorite ice cream shop.

Connie mentioned that she and Nancy S are attending the Tai Chi classes at the Library that will continue for another month.

I LOVE THE 80'S. Several more trustees volunteered to help with the program as the staff is not required to assist.

By a vote, we decided to create a Sunshine Fund. It was decided that Danielle will collect \$20 from each trustee and keep an account. Darcy, the Library financial coordinator, will hold the envelope containing the monies. The Chair and Vice Chair will have access to the fund.

DIRECTOR REPORT

Jed Phillips reported that the heating system repairs are almost half done. Many registers have been repaired or replaced with many more to go on the first floor and lower level. The search continues for an archivist and a part-time employee. A change in the schedule for the part-time position has been made in hopes of attracting more candidates. These positions have been vacant for some time and it should be noted that our staff is feeling the pressure.

The most immediate program coming up is the I LOVE THE 80's TO DEATH. Only half the tickets have been sold so far.

Jed will be attending the library conference in Chicago June 21-28.

A/C switchover occurred on May 15

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Building. Everyone is pleased with driveway paving.

The Callicarpa- dedicated to Cindy Davis- survived the winter.

OLD BUSINESS

Friends - Jed will approach Mark Linde who has expressed an interest in the Library to see if he might consider helping to organize a Friends group

Book Sale - sometime in the fall

Juneteenth Celebration- to be held at Middle School on June 17. There will be a storybook trail set up that will end at the Library.

NEW BUSINESS

Trustee tidbits. Up for discussion in June

ELECTION

Connie Franciosi was elected Chair

Danielle Oliari was elected Vice Chair

Jen Anderson was elected Secretary.

The meeting adjourned at 8:35.