

**Mission:** Adamstown Area Library serves as a vibrant community hub utilizing extensive resources to provide innovative programming and services that engage and educate residents of all ages and cultures.

## **Adamstown Area Library Trustees Meeting Minutes June 8, 2022**

### **In Attendance**

**Board:** Marj Hyrb, Jess McManimen, Brad Rauch, Hope Schmidts, Curt Unruh, Anne Williams

**Staff:** Carolyn Reiste, Mary Beth

**Friends:** Ronnie Heston

**Meeting was held at library and called to order at 6:34 PM by Anne Williams.**

**Secretary's Report** was presented by Marj Hyrb, who took April meeting minutes. Motion to accept: Curt Unruh, Jess McManimen. Approved.

**Treasurer's Report** was presented by Brad Rauch. We will move more funds to Customer's for higher interest. New building costs are split out so we can compare 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> year in future. **Motion to accept: Brad Rauch, Hope Schmidts. Approved.**

**Friends' Report** was presented by Ronnie Heston. The first book sale in new library went well and brought in \$187.25. Basket Bingo will take place on October 2, 2022 at Reamstown Fire Hall. Unruh Cruise Night brought in \$321 from sales of baked goods and \$182 from raffle for a total of \$503.

**Director's Report** was presented by Carolyn Reiste. Carolyn found PALS Director's Institute worthwhile, especially networking with colleagues. Focused on using a sense of humor to build workplace relationships, strength-based leadership, and ways to engage volunteers and potential board members. Carolyn interested in having staff do Gallup strengths profile. Suggestion to feature mission statement on agenda. **Motion to accept: Brad Rauch, Jess McManimen. Approved.**

Carolyn and Mary Beth reported recent incident of patron shouting at staff during children's story time. The patron objected to the signage for June as Pride month which was on shelves at circulation desk. A parent in attendance called police due to the level of disturbance and out of concern for the staff's safety. Reviewed policy about patron behavior and library materials. Carolyn will seek guidance from Office of Commonwealth Libraries.

Adamstown borough building sale is this Friday. Reviewed and discussed revised proposal. Renewed our intention to create Tranquility Garden on library grounds. **Motion to approve revised proposal as per email from Adamstown Borough Council members. Brad Rauch, Marj Hyrb. Jess McManimen abstained from vote. Approved. Next step: have an attorney review proposal.**

### **New Business:**

- Hoping to get 120 free Reading Phils tickets for patrons. June 19 game.

### **Old Business**

- Adamstown Borough Update - new offer 150K = 100K to mortgage and 50K cash at settlement. From the 50K in cash, set aside funds for tranquility garden and use remainder as needed.
- Golf Outing Baskets for raffle needed.
- Unruh Cruise Night Recap: About 70 cars shown. We made about \$85 selling ice cream. Great night perhaps 500+ people attended.

### **3 Points for Board from Staff**

1. Summer reading takes a lot of time and resources.
2. Posted a temp position to help cover Saturdays.
3. Added to library of things – 7 or 8 lawn games, themed dress up bags with book and puzzle.

### **3 Points from Board to Staff**

1. Borough update
2. We support staff and want them to feel comfortable. We are sorry that recent incident occurred.
3. Congrats on *big launch* for summer reading. **Best wishes for Aubrey!!**

**Motion to adjourn: Anne Williams, Brad Rauch. Approved. Meeting adjourned at 7:53 PM.**

**Next Regular Meeting: July 13, 2022 at 6:30 PM**

Respectfully submitted by Hope Schmids, Secretary – AAL Board of Trustees

**Save the Date: Virtual Board Retreat  
Wednesday, September 14 from 6-8:30**