

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 July 13, 2022

In Attendance:

Board: Marj Hyrb, Brad Rauch, Hope Schmids, JJ Valerio, Anne Williams

Staff: Carolyn Reiste, Maribeth, Aubrey Laity

Friends: No member was present

Guest: Charissa Nolt (patron)

Meeting was held at library and called to order at 6:29 PM by Anne Williams.

Secretary's Report was presented by Hope Schmids. **Motion to accept: Brad Rauch, Marj Hyrb. Approved.**

Treasurer's Report was presented by Brad Rauch. **Motion to accept: JJ Valerio, Hope Schmids. Approved. Motion to approve use of xxxx for this year's audit: JJ Valerio, Hope Schmids. Approved.**

Friends' Report As no member was present, Carolyn reported on behalf of Friends that they have raised \$1000 so far on book sales at the library, which are going well.

Director's Report was presented by Carolyn Reiste. The library received over \$600 from night swim at Adamstown pool. Kim is leaving and moving to an academic library. Her last day will be 7/22/22. The position will post soon. We had big turnouts for children's activities this month. **Motion to accept: Brad Rauch, JJ Valerio. Motion approved.**

New Business:

Several board members will be on vacation and unable to attend August board meeting. We will still send out August packet and decide whether to skip the meeting, meet briefly via Zoom or combine with September meeting, which is board retreat.

Old Business:

- **Adamstown Borough Update** – Finance committee reviewed updated agreement from borough. An attorney reviewed the agreement on behalf of the library. Finance committee emailed Alex for a few clarifications (exhibit A, clarification about square footage, see email for third item), but he is away. **Motion to approve updated agreement, subject to clarification of the three items referenced in email: Marj Hyrb, Brad Rauch. Motion approved.**
- **Golf Outing** - Needs total of 12 baskets. Needs hole sponsors. We expect to have enough corporate sponsors.

- **Spring Campaign Update** - Approximately \$5800 received so far in response to Spring campaign letter.
- **Tranquility Garden** - Volunteers from Röchling would like to help. JJ Valerio noted the fresh mulch in pollinator garden looks nice but needs barriers and pavers for people to comfortably walk across in summer without getting mulch in sandals.
- **Holiday Fun Run** - 5K Run/Walk. Jason will help run at no cost. Race can begin and end at Ironspire if held on a Sunday. Considering Saturday, Dec 10. Consider Bollman or local church if a Saturday. First year will not raise much money but establishing as a yearly event brings growth and increased revenue. Anne will type up and share a synopsis and have Jason tentatively reserve December 10 while we decide. Brad recommends letting corporate sponsors know about our fundraising efforts for the year.
- A board member asked if the monthly themed display of featured books should be moved from the front of circulation desk to another location. As this is an operational decision, Carolyn Reiste will decide.

3 Points from Staff to Board

1. Need more staff. Need to replace Kim and still need a part-time person.
2. Staff did their Beanstack training.
3. Staff would like to help plan the garden, which could be a nice spot for outdoor storytime.

3 Points from Board to Staff

1. Borough agreement approved, pending clarifications noted.
2. Golf outing update.
3. Holiday "Fun Run" idea.

Motion to adjourn: Hope Schmids, Brad Rauch at 7:42 PM

Next Regular Meeting: TBD (see New Business)

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

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