

EASTON AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY
Meeting of the Board of Directors
Monday, October 10, 2022
3:00 pm.

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Easton Area Public Library was held on Monday, October 10, 2022. President Mrs. Walker called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m. Present: Mrs. Walker, Mr. Thomas, Ms. Long, Mr. Reilly. Mr. Lake, Mrs. van Horne-Brett, and Mrs. Ramirez-Luhrs were absent. Also present Jennifer Long, Director and Sheila Wolff, Business Manager.

Interested Citizens: Judy Brunswick of Adult Skills Quest updated the Board on a few of their highlights for the year.

Consent Agenda: A motion was made to accept the consent agenda with amended minutes by Mr. Thomas and was seconded by Ms. Long. By voice vote, all were in favor.

Communications: Mrs. Long read a letter she received from the Lasso Family. They attend Monday morning story times, and praised Amber, Youth Services Coordinator.

Reports on Executive Sessions: None.

Committee Reports: Mrs. Walker reported the P & P Committee would be reviewing the policies in sections. The investment, gift, and endowment policies will be the sections reviewed first.

Director's Report: Mrs. Long reported that on September 21st, we hosted The Palmer Elementary Fourth Graders. We hosted 80 students for tours and lunch. The children, teachers and chaperones should be commended on how well behaved the students were. We are hosting the Easton Cyber School on October 21. The Library was involved in a lot of Community Outreach in September. We attended Forks Community Days and Easton's Cemetery Community Day. Both events were well received by the community and we signed up patrons for Library cards. The Easton Area School District did a fantastic job of painting the Youth Services Story Time room a calming blue. We have firm dates of October 31-November 20 for the Palmer Branch carpet replacement project. We will fully reopen on November 21. We are still discussing how we can still provide services during this construction time. November's Board meeting, which was scheduled for the Palmer Branch will not be able to take place there due to the carpet project. We will look into alternative places or times. The Catherine Drake Room will be unavailable due to the Book Sale. Mrs. Long attended the Friend's meeting last week and the Friends are open to working with us to spruce up the Catherine Drake Room. We will be looking into a wish list and then a proposal.

Old Business: Mrs. Walker mentioned there is still time to turn in any additional names or businesses to be included for the annual appeal list.

New Business: The Plan for State Aid form had to be increased to match the increase in state funds for this year. The Board needs to vote on the increased plan. Ms. Long made a motion to accept the revised application for the Plan for State Aid and was seconded by Mr. Reilly. By voice vote, all were in favor. Mr. Reilly asked when was the last meeting with Forks Township to address a possible Library presence in Forks Township. Mrs. Long reported it has been many years. Discussion followed. Mrs. Long will contact Forks Township to see if they would be interested to meet.

Ms. Long made a motion to adjourn at 3:47 pm. and was seconded by Mr. Thomas. By voice vote, all were in favor.

Next EAPL Board meeting: scheduled as November 14, 2022, **the location and or date, time TBD.**

Next EASD Board meeting:

Tuesday, November 15, 2022. Mrs. Ramirez-Luhrs will be presenting.

Tuesday, December 6, 2022 Ms. Long will be presenting.

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Wolff, Recording Secretary