FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY OF MONROE TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Regularly Scheduled Meeting April 16, 2014

A. Call to Order:

The regularly scheduled April meeting of the Free Public Library of Monroe Township Board of Trustees was called to order by President King. Those present: Mr. Pohler, Mr. Garbowski, Ms. Patterson, Ms. Betterly, Ms. Davi, Ms. Samoyan, Mr. Paredes, and President King. Ms. King confirmed that tonight's meeting is held in compliance with the requirements of the Open Public Meetings Act.

B. Public Portion:

Ms. King opened the Public portion of the meeting. There were no members of the Public present. Ms. King closed the Public portion.

C. Approve Minutes of March 2014 Meeting:

Motion to approve the minutes of the March 2014 meeting was made by Ms. Patterson, seconded by Ms. Betterly. All voted in favor.

D. Financial Reports:

Off the record to allow the Board's review of the financial reports and vouchers. Back on the record.

1. Approve Financial Reports:

Motion to approve the financial reports was made by Ms. Betterly, seconded by Ms. Samoyan. All voted in favor.

2. Approve Payment of Vouchers:

Motion to approve payment of vouchers was made by Mr. Pohler, seconded by Ms. Betterly. All voted in favor.

E. Director's Report:

Unfinished Space:

Mr. Paredes reported that he is still working on the unfinished space including the sprinkler system, fire and smoke alarms. He will be meeting with an electrician tomorrow. Also being addressed are replacement bulbs interior and exterior.

Meet The Authors:

Mr. Paredes said there were about 130 people at this year's Meet The Author event.

AARP:

The tax service offered by AARP served 825 people.

Friends of the Library:

The Friends of the Library flea market registered about 14 or 15 participants as of their last meeting. The Pretzel Factory will bring a table and sell that day. The Board made recommendations for promoting the event. Other suggestions were to get a copy of the Parks and Recs list of vendors from prior events..

Movies in the Park:

Mr. Paredes said the movie night will be scheduled in July.

Council Meeting:

The Council Meeting awarding recognition certificates to the high school students who provided their art work to bring color to the Library décor will take place on Monday, April 28, 2014 at 8:00 p.m. Invitations have been sent out.

F. Committee Reports:

Garden Committee:

Mr. Pohler reported that May 3rd is Clean Community Day. He expects about 15 volunteers and will need additional mulch to keep everyone busy. He will be providing Master Gardener pamphlets during the year for the benefit of library patrons. He asked for a rack to display the gardening brochures which he said are in keeping with the directive of the Rutgers Extension Master Gardener Program of educating the public by providing information to get the public interested in gardening.

Fund Raising Committee:

Ms. Betterly reported that the date of May 28, 2014 has been set for Library Night at the Library Restaurant. Diners can arrive from 4:00 p.m. until 10:30 p.m. to benefit the Library. Karen Cascio has prepared gift bags for guests. All book clubs will be invited.

G. Old Business:

Tomorrow, Mr. Garbowski and Mr. Paredes will meet with Chuck Fiore to finalize the RFPs for a coffee shop at the Library.

H. Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn was made by Ms. Davi, seconded by Ms. Betterly. All voted in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Susanne McKee, Clerk Transcriber

Suzanne King, President Board of Trustees