

Farmington Community Library Board of Trustees
Regular Board Meeting - 7:00 p.m. – Ernest E. Sauter Board Room
February 9, 2017

Board Members Present: Bosler, Bush, Doughty, McLaughlin
Board Members Absent: Lazar, Liebold, O'Malley, Paul
Staff Members Present: Miller, Serresseque, Siegrist, Streit, Yunker
Staff Members Absent: None
Public Guest: Marilyn Leedom

Due to lack of quorum, there can be no motions following discussion of topics.

CALL TO ORDER

The Board Meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by President C. Doughty.

PUBLIC COMMENT

C. Doughty invited Marilyn Leedom to express her concerns. She mentioned the possibility of posting flyers for her musical group, Madrigal Chorale, in the Library. J. Miller explained the Library guidelines for posting and offered to review Ms. Leedom's current flyer.

Ms. Leedom was also concerned about newspapers being removed and replaced too quickly. She would prefer to see the previous day's paper left with the current so she can make copies of Sudoku puzzle one day and answers the next. J. Miller responded and will check with the Pages responsible.

Ms. Leedom asked to stay for the meeting and was welcomed by the Board.

E. Streit, on behalf of the Library Board, honored J. McLaughlin with a Certificate of Appreciation for his 21 years on the Library Board. Also from the Board, J. McLaughlin was presented with a book spine, engraved with his name, and mounted on the Library Donor Wall. A celebration cake was enjoyed by all.

OPERATING BILLS AND FINANCIAL

E. Streit reviewed the January 2017 Operating Bills and the Monthly Revenue Report for December 2016. Due to lack of quorum, there were no motions.

CORRESPONDENCE

There were three pieces of correspondence to share including a letter from the City of Farmington, extending the appointment of S. Paul's term to June 30, 2019 and a letter from the City of Farmington Hills extending the appointment of Clark Doughty's term to February 2, 2021.

FROM THE DIRECTOR

- Participants in the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day events grew from 800 in 2016 to 1,300 in 2017. J. Miller arranged the day long festivities which included a march along Twelve Mile Road which attracted 195 walkers, keynote speaker, Ber-Henda Williams, Warner Middle School Choir, Harrison High School Dance Team, dinner and a movie with discussion following. Arts and crafts were made available to patrons and children made valentines for seniors.
- Staff is combining Love your Library Month and Valentine's Day. They have planned "blind date" with a wrapped book so it will be a surprise when unwrapped, or write what you love about the Library on a paper heart and receive a Hershey's kiss. The Heart Hunt (hearts hidden around the Library) with clues to find them is also rewarded with a Hershey's kiss.
- Paul Zink, Technology Librarian, is adding additional sessions to the popular, Cut the Cord – Alternatives to Cable TV.
- A 2 ½ year old was the first to finish 1,000 Books before Kindergarten. There are 500 children participating in this program.
- The 5th Annual Oscar Shorts Red Carpet event is Sunday with proceeds going to Friends of the Library. The event is sold out.
- Google Coding for teens attracted 14 participants.
- On February 9, Bellacino's Pizza will donate 10% of the patron's bill to the Library. Maria Showich-Gallup will be in the building for a story time for the children.
- On Casual Fridays, staff can donate \$1 to wear jeans. This month \$125 was donated to Community Living Centers in Farmington.
- E. Streit submitted the State Aid Report with statistics gathered from several departments within the Library.
- The Library is part of MelCat, the reciprocal interlibrary loan borrowing program. Michigan patrons placed over 1,000,000 requests for Interloan. The FCL patrons borrowed over 4,000 and loaned out over 5,000.
- Kathie Brown, Automation Coordinator, attended ALA's Midwinter Conference in Atlanta. She is on the Steering Committee for IUG, and they paid for her attendance.
- Michael Shereda, Technology Specialist, attended a conference in Kalamazoo. Sessions included information on virtual reality systems, training patrons one-on-one (which this Library does), and the upswing in lending out devices such as iPads, Wi-Fi hotspots, and chromebooks.

The Facilities Coordinator position was posted on various websites. We have received 40 resumes and are awaiting the cover letters and applications to be considered complete. Interviews will be on February 27 with a start date in early March.

Chris deBear from Library Design, will be preparing an estimate to replace carpet in specific areas, replace chairs and create additional study areas. Some of the work will need to be done at the same time and other projects will begin in phases.

The State of the Cities Breakfast will be held on Wednesday, February 15 at the Costick Center at 7:30 a.m. Six Library staff members are attending and the Library Board is also welcome to attend.

J. Miller demonstrated Hoopla and compared FCL funding for Hoopla to that of area libraries.

ADJOURNMENT

The Board meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m. by Library Board President, C. Doughty.

The next meeting of the Library Board is scheduled for Thursday, March 9, 2017 at 7:00 p.m. in the Ernest E. Sauter Board Room.

Respectfully Submitted,

G. Bosler, Secretary
Library Board of Trustees

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