

BOARD OF TRUSTEES Free Public Library of Berkeley Heights

July 17, 2017

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Approved: August 28, 2017

This meeting had been scheduled for July 10, 2017. Adequate notice of this date change has been provided by posting same on the bulletin board at the Library and Town Hall and Legal Notices in the Star Ledger and Courier News, all in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

The meeting was called to order by Sheila Buthe at 7:39 PM.

PRESENT: Raquel Fruchter, Sheila Buthe, Donna Boyd, Linda Nessenson.

ABSENT: Judith Rattner, Mayor Robert Woodruff.

ALSO PRESENT: Stephanie Bakos, Director; Laura Fuhro, Assistant Director.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Nessenson motioned to accept the Minutes of June 12, 2017; Boyd seconded and all agreed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Program expenses are expected to be reimbursed by a grant from the Union County Freeholders.

CORRESPONDENCE AND GIFTS: None to report.

BOARD REPORTS: No reports.

CITIZEN HEARING ON AGENDA ITEMS: No citizens present.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

Circulation- Circulation numbers for downloadables continue to rise.

Building and Grounds – New excavation next to the building near the outdoor air units will take place tomorrow morning. The library will open at noon.

Other – Shakespeare in the Park(ing Lot) on 7/21 at 7:00- This year's free to the public play will be the Taming of the Shrew.

Foundation – No report.

Marketing- Plastic hard hats and tote bags with a Build a Better World theme are being handed out to children who sign up for the Summer Reading Club.

LIAISON'S REPORT: No report.

OLD BUSINESS: None to report.

NEW BUSINESS:

New Resources-The New York Times online has just been added to our e-resources. A Lynda learn a new skill online subscription will start on August 1st. Ten Hot-Spot portable Wi-Fi devices will be ordered from TMobile for circulation to the public. A preliminary circulation policy will be ready for the next meeting.

Update on Construction Bond Act (A222/S2171) – The bill has been passed by the Senate. The Governor now has until August 29th to sign so that the bill can go on the November ballot.

The contract between Little Flower Church and BH Township is being introduced at the Council meeting on July 18th. The Board President will contact BHPL's attorney to contact the Municipal Attorney.
The August Board meeting date has been changed to August 28th.

PUBLIC HEARING: No citizens present.

EXECUTIVE SESSION- as necessary- No session needed.

ADJOURNMENT: Boyd to adjourn; Nessenson seconded the motion and all agreed. The meeting adjourned at 8:06 PM.