

Barberton Public Library
Regular Meeting Board of Trustees, June 27, 2019

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jennifer Doll
Natalie Genet
C. Racyne Leskanic
Terri Masich
Heather McMullen
Leon Ricks
Christopher White

ALSO PRESENT

Ann Hutchison, Director
Ken Cornelius, Fiscal Officer
Melissa Futrell, Deputy Fiscal Officer

President Masich called the meeting to order at 6:37 p.m.

Genet gave a report on behalf of the Friends of the library. The Little Free Library in Avalee Webb Park suffered severe damage from the flooding earlier this month and is closed until further notice.

Moved by Doll, seconded by Leskanic to **accept the minutes** of the May 2019 regular meeting. Ayes: Doll, Genet, Leskanic, McMullen, and White. Nays: None. Motion carried.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Circulation: Hutchison reported that May 2019 circulation was 30,818, up 8.4% from May 2018 and 12% overall from this time last year. eMedia circulation continues to increase, and is up almost 19% from this time last year. In May, 1,149 new items were added, while 1,326 were withdrawn, and staff answered 2,255 reference questions. Program attendance increased 20.55% from this time last year, with 453 people attending 31 library programs. Volunteers contributed 83 hours of time to the library.

Programs & Publicity: The Summer Reading Club Kick-Off Party on June 5 was a huge success. A relatively low door count for the day lead Hutchison to the discovery that the library's door counter has not been functioning properly and a replacement unit will be installed tomorrow.

In an effort to expand the inclusiveness of BPL's programming, Children's Librarian Monica Haney has developed Craft Connections, which is suitable for customers of all ages and abilities. Haney reached out to local service providers for adults with special needs to assess what sort of programming would be the best received.

Ricks entered the meeting at 6:47 p.m.

Donations:

Beverly Cookro – 78 books
East Central Ohio Mensa - \$50
Great Lakes Science Center – 2 tickets, for SRC prizes
Linda Wooding Sims – Assorted photographs, to LH
Linda Thoricht – 6 books
Eleanor Werner – 46 books
Elizabeth Wilson – BHS souvenir football
Anonymous, 517 books, 25 DVDs, 30 magazines & 6 video games

Friends of the Barberton Public Library - \$4,100, to be used as follows:
\$100, Cherry Blossom Parade candy
\$400, Additional chair yoga sessions
\$500, Literature and magazine racks
\$500, Silhouette Cameo or Cricut & accessories
\$600, Button & magnet maker
\$1,000, Speaker system for Spillette Room
\$1,000, Lightweight tables for Spillette Room

Moved by Genet, seconded by McMullen to **accept the donations**. Ayes: Doll, Genet, Leskanic, McMullen, Ricks and White. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Other: **RESOLUTION 14-2019** **Moved** by White, seconded by Leskanic to **hire Joan Mainville-Davis** as a part-time (regularly scheduled 15 hours per week) Page in the Customer Services Department at \$8.55 per hour effective June 18, 2019. Ayes: Doll, Genet, Leskanic, McMullen, Ricks and White. Nays: None. Motion resolved.

RESOLUTION 15-2019 **Moved** by McMullen, seconded by Genet to **hire Kayla Mize** as a part-time (regularly scheduled 15 hours per week) Page in the Customer Services Department at \$8.55 per hour effective June 17, 2019. Ayes: Doll, Genet, Leskanic, McMullen, Ricks and White. Nays: None. Motion resolved.

Community Outreach: The Children's Department staff visited a number of schools to promote our Summer Reading Club program, and Lisa Gilgenbach has begun visiting Van Buren Homes during their lunch program. Alison Huey

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attended a meeting for the upcoming Kids' Health Fair as well as Barberton School's Reading Under the Lights event. Hutchison and Sarah Granville met with Barberton High School staff to discuss the possibility of applying for a joint grant from the Barberton Community Foundation. The grant would enable the Library to offer eSports and gaming technology to teens and young adults.

FISCAL OFFICER'S REPORT

The Public Library Fund tax distribution for the month of June for the Barberton Public Library was \$89,371.78.

Cornelius reviewed the current Statement of Finances, Payment Listings, and Bank Reconciliation.

Moved by Ricks, seconded by Genet **to accept the financial report, bank reconciliations and bills** paid for the month of May 2019. Ayes: Doll, Genet, Leskanic, McMullen, Ricks and White. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Cornelius explained the options BPL was presented by the Barberton Community foundation regarding the amount of our annual distribution from the endowment portion of our Now & Forever Fund. The Board requested that Cornelius seek additional information from the Foundation, and tabled the matter until their next meeting.

Cornelius presented the Board with a request from the Summit County Fiscal Office to combine the six property parcels owned by BPL into one. Seeing no benefit to the library in doing so, the Board chose not to act on the request.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Building and Equipment Committee: No meeting held.

Finance and Audit Committee: No meeting held.

Personnel Committee: No meeting held.

Summit County Library Trustees Council – No meeting held.

COMMUNICATIONS AND CORRESPONDENCE

OLC Legislative Update: Hutchison distributed the Trustees' OLC membership cards, and informed them that Michelle Francis was appointed OLC's Director upon the retirement of Doug Evans. Hutchison also reported that the Senate Finance Committee has recommended that the PLF be raised from 1.68% to 1.7%.

OLD BUSINESS

Ken Masich, president of BPL's Political Action Committee, was unable to attend the June meeting, and plans to discuss the upcoming levy campaign at July's meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Hutchison invited the Board to attend a Harry Potter event on July 31 to celebrate the character's birthday and capitalize on the newly released Wizards Unite app.

RESOLUTION 16-2019 **Moved** by Genet, seconded by Ricks to request that the Barberton Board of Education **reappoint C. Racyne Leskanic as Trustee** to a full term expiring June 30, 2026. Ayes: Doll, Genet, Leskanic, McMullen, Ricks and White. Nays: None. Resolution adopted.

Moved by McMullen, seconded by Leskanic **to adjourn** the meeting at 7:35 p.m.