MAYWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY

Minutes of Board of Trustees Regular Meeting, May 15, 2024

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Maywood Public Library was held on May 15, 2024, in the Trinka room at the Library.

In accordance with the requirements of the Sunshine Law of the State of New Jersey, the area newspapers have been properly notified of this meeting.

President Stathis called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM.

The following were present:

Trustees: M. Stathis, B. Dugan, A. Sabatini, E. Engel, R. Stuetz, E. Pope, N. Jengo

Library Director: C. Hull

Superintendent Appointee: Lynn Soriano

The following were absent:

Mayor: R. Bolan

Council Liaison: J. DeMuro

Minutes

Motion to accept the minutes of the April 17, 2024, moved by Engel, seconded by Stuetz.

Motion carried.

	Stathis	Engel	Pope	Dugan	Jengo	Sabatini	Stuetz	DeMuro	Soriano
Vote	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes

Public Portion - none

Friends Report - none

Correspondence - none

Director's Report

- 1) There were 2 successful adult programs: Earth Day Plants (24 attendees) and Bill Ervolino (78 attendees).
- 2) The kindergarten visit went well about 120 children attended.
- 3) The Hackbarth visit went well.

Stathis asked 3 questions:

- 1) When will the Our Library video be available? Soon.
- 2) Was the AC fixed? There have been no problems since the leak.
- 3) Are we going to hire someone to "clean up" the new logo? The board approved it last month.

March 2024 Bill List

a) Prestige: 20 items amounting to \$10, 068.17

Moved to accept by Stathis, seconded by Engel. Motion carried.

	Stathis	Engel	Pope	Dugan	Jengo	Sabatini	Stuetz	DeMuro	Soriano
Vote	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes

b) Hackbarth: 26 items amounting to \$15,770.48

Moved to accept by Stathis, seconded by Engel. Motion carried.

	Stathis	Engel	Pope	Dugan	Jengo	Sabatini	Stuetz	DeMuro	Soriano
Vote	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes

c) Renovation: invoice for office furniture amounting to \$24, 506.09

Moved to accept by Stathis, seconded by Engel. Motion carried.

	Stathis	Engel	Pope	Dugan	Jengo	Sabatini	Stuetz	DeMuro	Soriano
Vote	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes

Committee Reports

1) Construction Committee

Attorney Rupp recommended 2 mediators; he is waiting to hear from the construction company attorney.

2) Planning Committee

There is one more training on Creating a Strategic Plan

Old Business

The new library cards based on the winning design have been ordered at a cost of \$1290.00. The design will be put on social media; Director Hull is waiting for a photo with the artist.

New Business

a) Director Hull showed us the presentation that was given to Hackbarth.

They approved some grants and asked for plans for the renovation of the Hackbarth Auditorium, including: new chairs (approximately 125), paint and carpet, an additional tv, LED lighting, and possibly a divider. The chairs should be a poly seat and a poly back. Director Hull will get 2 quotes.

A committee was formed for the renovation project: Director Hull, Sabatini, and Jengo.

- b) The Girl Scout Troop asked to post a hand mural in the kids' room
- c) Superintendent Appointee Soriano asked if our next meeting will be moved, as it is scheduled for June 19th Juneteenth. The board agreed to move the meeting to June 26th @ 6PM.
- d) Jengo asked if artwork can be left to the board in one's will? Yes!

e) Ellen Pope announced that tonight is her last board meeting. She is now a resident of NY and is no longer eligible to serve on the board. We thank her for her years of service to Maywood and to the Library Board.

Stathis moved to adjourn at 7:03 PM, seconded by Engel. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Bina Dugan, Secretary