

MINUTES Attleboro Public Library Board of Trustees

3/13/2019 6:00 PM | Meeting called to order by Board President Charlie Oliver

In Attendance

Trustees: V. Bonneville, C. DeSimone, , D. Mangiaratti, C. Oliver, M. Patel, E. Struminski, Trish Svendsen

Staff: C. Johnson

Minutes

Minutes of February 13, 2019 meeting reviewed and approved.

Business Required by Law

None.

Treasurer's Report

As John was not present, Charlie presented Warrant #9 for \$4,498.28 which was reviewed and approved. Charlie also reported that John is home recovering and will not seek another term as trustee (his current term expires in the near future).

Committee Report

Diane and Vic volunteered to serve as a Nominating Committee for this year's Board elections.

Director's Report

Written report submitted and reviewed. In conjunction with the Tour of Downtown Attleboro walking tour on June 1st, Chris asked the Board for permission to let APL provide for public purchase Attleboro Historic Preservation Society Walking Tour Guides. The guides can be purchased for \$10 each and all proceeds will go to the Attleboro Historic Preservation Society. Chris also requested \$735 for an upcoming annual ALA conference in Washington DC.

Motions made and approved in accordance with each request.

Unfinished Business

No updates.

New Business

On Monday, March 11, Chris and four trustees met with Mayor Heroux to tour the Highland Country Club (HCC) in regard to the mayor's idea that APL consider relocating because of the expense involved with needed repairs to the existing APL building. Handicap accessibility is an issue as the building has two floors and there is no elevator. The Board is awaiting the results of the Library Needs Assessment Study before any further action/discussion on the issue.

Vic expressed concern about the possibility of APL being relocated but this issue was tabled until the Needs Assessment was complete.

Vic also informed the Board that the portraits on the second floor have been labeled with placards identifying each subject and his/her relation to APL.

Vic suggested that the Board should consider being more active in regard to increasing the trust funds through the work of the Friends. Discussion ensued about how this can best be accomplished. Charlie is going to get some more info and possibly invite a guest speaker to talk about the kinds of charitable donations and how to inform the public about various giving opportunities.

Vic revisited the issue of APL staff wearing name tags. Chris is going to ask APL staff to identify themselves to patrons by wearing a name tag designating them by first name or "staff member".

Next Meeting: April 10, 2019 @ 6pm
