

**Attleboro Public Library Board of Trustees - Meeting Minutes -
January 8, 2020**

Charlie introduced and welcomed Beth Gould as a future Attleboro Public Library Trustee who will be sworn in later this month.

The Meeting was called to order by Board President Charlie Oliver at 6:23 p.m.

ATTENDEES

Trustees: Vic Bonneville, Diane Mangiaratti, Charlie Oliver, Mahesh Patel, Tobey Reed, Eileen Struminski, Tricia Svendsen

Library Director: Chris Johnson

Future Trustee: Beth Gould

MINUTES

Minutes of the December 2019 meeting were approved.

Charlie reported that at a recent Self-Sufficiency Coalition meeting which he attended, the Attleboro Public Library was repeatedly mentioned - at least 8 or 9 times. A number of social service agencies, the Health Dept. and City Councilor Ty Waterman were present at that meeting, where there was testimony as to the Library's role as a community center.

BUSINESS REQUIRED BY LAW

None

TREASURER'S REPORT

There was a motion to approve Warrant #7 in the amount of \$1,937.74. It was approved.

A motion to accept a receipt of gifts in the amount of \$338 was approved.

A motion was made to transfer the amount of Warrant # 7, \$1,937.74, from Rockland Trust to the checking account. It was approved.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Chris reported that there will be a Public Hearing on the loan request for the Building Envelope Project. She was told that the Hearing would take place in early February, but others reported hearing that the scheduled date is January 21. Board Members will be notified by email when the definitive date is determined. It was recommended that Trustees attend the Hearing to show support.

Chris attended a grant workshop on a health-related grant from the National Network of Libraries of Medicine. The grant requires the involvement of the NNLM, and Chris indicated she would be collaborating with the Attleboro Veterans Agent.

The virtual presentation by Holocaust survivor Peter Feigl, who escaped to Switzerland, while his parents died at Auschwitz, will be held on January 27.

Chris requested \$50 that will support the SAILS Legislative Breakfast on Jan. 17, transportation to the State Advocacy Day on Apr. 22 and other SAILS legislative activities. Motion made, and request was approved.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The Revised Draft of the Attleboro Public Library Unattended Child Policy was presented. A motion to institute the policy was made and approved.

NEW BUSINESS

The adjustable tables for the Children's Room are on order, but the quoted price of \$3,945 has been upped to \$4,887. There was no reason given for the excessive change in the original written quote. Although spending policy allows for Trustees to pay for them at the higher price, the Board requested that Chris question why the price increased so much.

Chris asked about using some of the Unrestricted Funds for the purchase of ebooks, which cost about \$60 per book. Vic made a motion to allocate \$1200 for the purchase of ebooks from Unrestricted Funds. It was approved.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Next meeting: February 12, 2020, 6:00 p.m.

2020 Meeting Dates: 3/11, 4/8, 5/13, 6/10