

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES—Board Meeting April 13, 2015

ANNOUNCEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH OPML: Notice of this meeting was posted in the City Clerk's office and was advertised in the January 21, 2015 Ocean City Sentinel and in the January 17, 2015 Atlantic City Press, posted on the Library's website, and posted on bulletin boards inside the library.

CALL TO ORDER: President Shirk called the meeting to order at 4:09 pm.

RECORDING OF ATTENDANCE: (Roll Call) Jennifer Shirk, Brian Broadley, Dr. Connie Pritchard, Dustin Peters, Jim Mallon, Dr. Kathleen Taylor (late arrival), Karen Mahar, Leslie Clarke, Steve Barse, and Sandy Crescenzo. *FIRED BY PHONE*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The minutes from the March 16, 2015 meeting were approved with one change. The motion to adjourn was made at 5:19 pm by Mr. Batastini and seconded by Jennifer Shirk. Dr. Pritchard moved and Dustin Peters seconded to approve the minutes with the noted change. A unanimous roll call vote was taken.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Brian Broadley reviewed current assets and liabilities of the library.

ACTION ON THE BILLS: Dr. Pritchard moved and Dustin Peters seconded to approve and pay the bills. All present were in favor by a roll call vote.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT: President Shirk attended a recent trustee seminar and reported that there was a lot of useful information covered. One of the topics was the filing of the annual financial disclosure form due at the end of April. The moderator of the seminar also discussed the issue of emailing by trustees and avoiding having a quorum by not hitting "reply all" when responding to an email. Minutes from Board meetings should go on the website as soon as they are approved. The State Library recommended putting the budget on our website and having a copy at the reference desk. (Dr. Taylor arrived at 4:17). President Shirk also reported that a public library could be dissolved by the voters, but that they would still have to pay a library tax. Ms Shirk mentioned that sympathy cards were sent to library staff whose parents had passed away. President Shirk reported that she and Director Mahar met with Lori Link and Tracey Wisner of Wiserlink about way finding signs and advertisement of the library's services. Finally, Ms. Shirk commented on a very well-received presentation that Director Mahar gave for the Exchange Club of Ocean City.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Director Mahar reported on the library's celebration of National Library Week with a special ribbon-cutting for the Bookmobile on Wednesday at 5:30 pm. She mentioned that we have been cooperating with the School District in accordance with our

Strategic Plan. There will be a "Wetlands Night" on June 10 to highlight what the students learned from their visits to the Wetlands Institute. We are also partnering with the schools in "Project Lead the Way." Students are using the library to do their senior projects. The goal of this project is to encourage students to pursue engineering as a career.

COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE: NA

FRIENDS AND VOLUNTEERS REPORT: President Sandy Crescenzo informed the Board about the Author Tea, which will take place at 2:00 pm, May 7 at the Flanders Hotel. Tickets can be obtained from Ms. Crescenzo. The Friends and Volunteers are embarking on a new project—the Family Creative Learning Project. They are ordering kits and recruiting people to facilitate the learning done by families. There will be community involvement in the project, which will begin in early September or October. President Crescenzo ended by requesting that the library purchase clocks to be displayed throughout the building.

BUILDING ISSUES: Director Karen Mahar has been in communication with Steve Longo about painting to be done in certain areas of the library, such as the computer center and meeting rooms.

OLD BUSINESS: A. The Bylaws Amendment—this had been tabled until the May meeting.
B. Bookmobile--Assistant Library Director Clarke gave an update on the bookmobile. She is securing permission from different entities in town for the bookmobile to make stops at their facilities.

NEW BUSINESS: NA

PUBLIC COMMENT: Sandy Crescenzo asked if the City of Ocean City will maintain the landscaping that the Friends and Volunteers funded and was reassured that it would.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn was made at 4:40 pm by Dr. Pritchard and seconded by Brian Broadley. All present were in favor.

Respectfully submitted,



Ron Denney, Secretary