

**Mount Laurel Library
Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting Minutes
February 19, 2020**

CALL TO ORDER: 6:05 P.M.

FIRE SAFETY INFORMATION: Provided by Mr. Stridick

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING LAW STATEMENT:

Mr. Stridick stated that this meeting is being held in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act. Notice of the meeting was provided by way of the Burlington County Times, the Central Record, and the Mount Laurel Sun, and it was posted in the library and on its website.

ROLL CALL:

Gina Acerbo -present
Diane Blair - *absent*
Karen Cohen - present
Noreen Duffey - present
Marie Kromplewski - *absent*
Dennis Marks - *absent*
Stephanie Sawyer - present
Stephen Steglik - present
Walter Stridick - present

ALSO PRESENT:

John Armano, Esq.
Becky Boydston
Gayle McCormick

SWEARING IN:

Mr. Stridick made known that prior to the meeting Ms. Duffey was sworn in by Mr. Armano as Trustee for the 2020 calendar year.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

APPROVAL of MINUTES:

Approval of minutes of January 15, 2020 meeting:
All in Favor

APPROVAL of BILL LIST and BILL LIST ADDENDUM:

Motion: Mr. Steglik
2nd: Ms. Duffey
Roll Call: 6 yes votes

REPORT from LIBRARY STAFF:

Meeting Room Divider

Ms. Boydston encouraged everyone to check out the new meeting room divider. Installation was quick and problem-free, and the divider looks and functions quite well.

Library Discards

The Rutgers student who expressed interest in taking and redistributing discarded library materials which the Friends no longer accept has been unable to commit to his project. Ms. Boydston found another organization, Discover Books, which Rider University uses for this purpose. A temporary arrangement will help determine if this is the right solution here.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

RESOLUTION 2020-17: Staff In-Service Day

Ms. Boydston seeks approval to begin planning now for this year's staff in-service day the first week of December. The library is traditionally slow the first week of December so it is the best time of year to close the library to the public for one day during which several hours of mandatory staff training can be logged at one time.

Motion to approve: Ms. Sawyer
2nd: Ms. Steglik
Roll Call: 6 yes votes

RESOLUTION 2020-18: Authorization to Sell Surplus on Discover Books

This is a continuation of periodic effort to remove outdated and otherwise unusable materials (books, DVDs) from the library's collection since the last approval.

Motion to approve: Ms. Acerbo
2nd: Ms. Cohen
Roll Call: 6 yes votes

Diversity Survey

Ms. Cohen encouraged Trustees to complete a diversity survey which may help Mount Laurel Township to become a member of Sustainable Jersey, a program for municipalities in New Jersey which supports community efforts to reduce waste and improve the environment.

Census

Ms. Boydston met with Township Manager Meredith Tomczyk regarding the library's role in facilitating Mount Laurel residents' completion of the U.S. Census survey. Residents who elect to complete the survey online might choose to do so at the library so Ms. Boydston will prepare staff to assist as needed. Thorough and accurate reporting is essential for determining equitable allocation of federal funds.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn at 6:21 PM: Ms. Sawyer

2nd: Ms. Duffey

All in favor