

Mars Area Public Library

Board of Trustees Meeting

19 November 2018

The meeting was called to order by Marcy Bogdanich, President, at 7:00 p.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

Frank Haustovich commented that his questions brought before the Board were never answered. Marcy Bogdanich stated that his questions were answered at the last Board meeting. If he had additional questions, he was encouraged to bring them before the Board. He requested a copy of the minutes and was instructed by Caitlyn Boland that minutes are available on the website.

There were no additional public comments.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Linda Lees made a motion to approve the minutes from the Board Meeting held on 10/15/18. Steve Chadwick seconded it. The minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

Joanne Tisdale gave the Treasurer's Report. The Year To Date put the Library \$7,000 to the good. Mars Area Schools contribution was just received. BCLFS gave the Library additional income.

A motion was made by Nancy Mycka to approve the Treasurer's Report. It was seconded by Steve Chadwick.

**LIBRARIAN'S REPORT:**

**Past Event Highlights:**

Halloween Storytime Party - October 31st at 10:30am - 60 children attended and we received wonderful feedback.

Western PA Paranormal Society - Thursday, October 18th at 6pm - 30 people in attendance

Chris Churilla, school librarian partnered with the Library to offer NaNoWriMo author events

### **Upcoming Events Highlights:**

Plan for State Aid is due Dec 28th and was submitted today

Gingerbread House Contest- Entries Due Week of Dec 3rd, Voting week of Dec 10, Winners Announced on Dec 17th

Gingerbread House Making with Santa (Holiday Event) - December 8th 1-3pm

Staff Day - Wednesday, December 5th - Library Closed

Holidays - Nov 22, Dec 24, 25, 31 and Jan 1 - Library Closed

Boy Scout, Matthew Gourash, has built and will be installing a community information stands around Mars this weekend for his Eagle Award. One will be located in the Library's garden.

### **BCFLS:**

Marcy Bogdanich reported that a new System Administrator, Cheryle Ferraro, was chosen. BCFLS discussed financial struggles among the Libraries. January will be the next meeting.

### **BUILDING AND MAINTENANCE:**

Steve Chadwick reported that the toilet bid process has commenced. Discussion ensued regarding the toilet specifications and rate of labor. Steve Chadwick asked for additional comparison bids. Marcy Bogdanich cautioned about the urgency of this issue and after discussion one week was agreed upon. Vote will be done by email.

Nancy Mycka indicated that she has received support via Community outreach to help improve the friendliness of the front of the building. Further renderings of any interior restoration/improvement may be forth coming. Discussion centered around connecting the upstairs to the lower level.

### **PERSONNEL:**

Staff evaluations will happen in December. Nancy Mycka noted that Caitlyn Boland graduated from the Dale Carnegie class with recognition.

### **FUND RAISING**

The Fashion Show was discussed. A request for baskets and silent auction items was made. The Annual Campaign was discussed. \$9800 was the anticipated goal and to date MAPL has received \$5478.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

The 2019 Budget was discussed. A motion was made to approve the budget by Nancy Mycka and seconded by Steve Chadwick.

Library Officers were voted in by unanimous vote: Marcy Bogdanich, President; Linda Lees, Vice-President; Joanne Tisdale, Treasurer; Nancy Hudac, Secretary.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Frank Haustovich stated that his prior questions have not been answered. Caitlyn Boland noted that no one has spoken to the Adams Township Supervisors regarding moving the Library out of its present location. Specific questions that he had regarding members of the Adams Township Supervisory Board would best be answered by the Adams Township Supervisors. Frank Haustovich commented that the MAPL Board is not transparent and he was disappointed that Steve Chadwick was still on the MAPL Board. Several Board members asked for order.

Bylaws are still being reviewed by the municipalities. The municipalities are waiting for the Board to approve the final changes to the Bylaws. Changes are complete. A motion was made by Marcy Bogdanich to approve the changes to the Bylaws and this was seconded by Joanne Tisdale. It was approved by unanimous vote. The Board Member search by Mars Boro is ongoing.

There was a motion to adjourn by Steve Chadwick. Nancy Mycka seconded it. The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

**The next meeting date is scheduled for Monday January 28, 2019 at 7 pm.**

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy E. Hudac

Board Secretary