



Library Advisory Board Meeting Thursday, February 16, 2023 In-Person @ Iroquois Branch Library

MINUTES

Members Present: Adam Groves, Kara Murphy, Mary Ann Tempestini, Martha Knuth, Bill Conway

Members Absent: Ann Rosenthal, Trevor Pearson, Quyen Aoh, Julie Boam

Others Present: Karen Pierce, Deana Cooper, Diane Chido

1. Call to Order

Bill Conway called the meeting to order at 12:07 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes – December 15, 2022

Minutes approved as written. Motion by Kara, second by Martha- minutes approved

3. Library Reports

a. Report of Director

- Karen provided her report in the agenda. She introduced Adam Groves the new “at large” appointed Board member who replaces Liz Allen.
- Karen and Board spoke in depth regarding Career Online High School and the benefits to the community.
- Karen also discussed in further detail her take on the Food Summit she attended and how food insecurity across NE PA is far greater than the library simply being an outlet for distribution.

b. Review of Financial Report- Deana

No report available.

c. Statistical and Other Reports-Deana

Deana reviewed the statistical report provided in agenda. The topic of minimal programming being offered at Millcreek in comparison to other branches was broached. Karen explained how space is a big issue. Having to turn away patrons do to demand reduces the availability programming. The Board questioned the Feasibility Study and the feedback regarding programming and build needs. Karen also discussed the want to find a location that could house the Friend’s storage. They currently pay for offsite storage.

d. Report of District Consultant

Jessica Church provided the report of the District Consultant in the agenda. She was not present to report anything further.

4. Board and Committee Reports

- a. Report of County Council Liaison

None

- b. Report of ERLF

Diane Chido presented the Foundation Vision and Mission Statement to the Board.

- c. Report of Friends of the Library

None

5. Unfinished Business

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6. New Business

Next meeting will be via zoom..

7. Adjournment

Motion by Karen, second by Mary Ann to adjourn the meeting at 1:05 p.m. There will be a tour of the Iroquois Branch following the meeting.

8. Appendix

- a. Announcements – attached in agenda