

SCHENECTADY COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
June 12, 2018
Central Library

PRESENT: Cheryl Cufari, Randy Fine, Cori Hoffman, Sharon Jordan, M. Joe Landry, William Levering, Julie McDonnell, Carmel Patrick, Karen Bradley, Angela Strong, Janice Martin-recorder

ABSENT: Camille Siano Enders, Anthony Gaddy, Heather Gray, Marsha Mortimore, Edwin D. Reilly, Jr., Tina Chericoni Versaci

SCHENECTADY
COUNTY

LEGISLATURE: Richard Patierne, Education and Libraries Chair

Carmel Patrick called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE MAY 24 MEETING

The minutes of the May 24, 2018 meeting were not approved due to an abstention from Carmel Patrick since she was not in attendance at the May 24 meeting.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- Carmel Patrick thanked SCPL staff and the Finance Committee for the work they did to prepare the 2019 budget submission to the County. She also thanked the board for approving submission to the county.
- She thanked Joe Landry and Friends' member, Donna Fairlee, for their wonderful coordination of the June 1 Volunteer Picnic.
- She thanked trustee Tony Gaddy for filling in for her at the May 24, 2018 trustee meeting.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- Karen Bradley and Angela Strong met with County Manager, Kathleen Rooney and Acting Commissioner of Finance, Terry Mariano on Monday, June 11, 2018 to begin budget review.
- Edwin Reilly Jr. submitted his resignation from the Library Board of Trustees on June 12, 2018.
- The library's Youth Services staff participated in the Jay Street Children's Art Festival on June 2, 2018.
- The library had a No Smoke Tobacco Day event on May 31, 2018 with a family showing of Dora, with lots of free giveaways and great information for families. Our County Public Health Department had an information table at it. This was made possible by a grant that the Tobacco Free Coalition received.
- Karen Bradley met Carla Hayden, the Librarian of Congress, at the Cooperstown Public Library. She is the first female and first African American to serve our nation's library.
- Preparations are well underway for the Saturday, July 14, 2018 Comic Con event. Save the Date!
- Congressman Paul Tonko will visit the Central Library on Friday, June 29, 2018 from 10:00-10:45 am, as we kick off summer reading. He will be bringing surplus books to share, from the Library of Congress.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Joe Landry asked for a motion to approve the following resolutions:

- Resolution 1 – Approval of SCPL Board of Trustees Expenditures. There was a motion to approve by Sharon Jordan, seconded by William Levering and approved unanimously.
- Resolution 2 - Approval of Schenectady County Public Library System 2019 Capital Projects – Equipment Request. After a brief discussion, Joe Landry asked for a motion to amend Resolution 2:
 - Add Paragraph 3: Whereas, the Building Committee reviewed the need to upgrade and expand the Video Surveillance System to provide additional camera coverage at the Glenville, Niskayuna, Quaker Street, Scotia and Woodlawn libraries;
 - Change Paragraph 5: Therefore, be it resolved, that the Schenectady County Public Library Board of Trustees approves the \$26, 754.09 Capital Request for Equipment to the County of Schenectady for inclusion in the 2019 budget for capital projects.

A motion to amend Resolution 2 was made by Cheryl Cufari, seconded by Randy Fine and approved unanimously. A motion to approve Resolution 2 was made by Julie McDonnell, seconded by Cori Hoffman and approved unanimously.

- Resolution 3 –Approval of Schenectady County Public Library System 2019 Capital Projects – Furnishings Replacement Request. A motion to approve was made by Sharon Jordan, seconded by William Levering and approved unanimously.

BUILDING COMMITTEE

- Sharon Jordan presented Resolution 4 – Additional projects recommended for county funding within 2019 budget for capital projects from the Schenectady County Public Library Board of Trustees. The Building Committee met, made recommendations, and presented them to the Finance Committee for approval. She thanked everyone involved in this process, especially Angela Strong. Discussion ensued. A motion to approve was made by Sharon Jordan, seconded by Cheryl Cufari and approved unanimously.

POLICY COMMITTEE

- The second reading of Schenectady County Public Library Policies was distributed via email today, June 12, 2018. A copy is enclosed in trustee packets. This version includes minor amendments of the previous policies (new material highlighted), a new video surveillance policy, and minor changes in spelling and numbering. William Levering asked for a motion to approve the amendments made to the document. A motion was made by Randy Fine, seconded by Sharon Jordan and approved unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

- Cheryl Cufari announced that One County One Book ballots have closed. The public nominated 300 unique titles. Final voting will be in late summer, early fall. There has been tremendous interest from the public.

NEW BUSINESS

- Karen Bradley announced that Cathy O'Connor, Youth Services Librarian, is retiring on June 30, 2018. A retirement celebration will be held on Thursday, June 28, 2018. An invitation is included in trustee packet.
- Carmel Patrick announced that copies of June Chapters and the Summer Reading Calendar for July and August are enclosed in trustee packets.

- Carmel Patrick announced that the Vale Park Task Force is holding their annual Weenie Roast on Friday, June 15 from 11:30-1:00.
- Karen Bradley reported that Angela Strong would be acting library director in her absence while she is on vacation June 16-25, 2018.
- Cheryl Cufari reported that the Esther M. Swanker Golf Tournament went well. The MVLS Foundation netted over \$5,000.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, July 26, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. in the Swanker Boardroom at the Central Library.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.