

**LARCHMONT PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES OF MEETING
APRIL 9, 2014**

The Larchmont Public Library Board of Trustees met on April 9, 2014 at 6:45 pm, attended by Board Chair Pamela Dubitsky (PD), Trustees Jennifer Conley (JC), Lauren Gottfried (LG), Maureen LeBlanc (ML), Barbara Liptack (BL), John McGarr (JM), and Iven Taub (IT), Town of Mamaroneck Liaison Abby Katz (AK), and Friends of the Library Liaison Wendy Raso (WR), as well as Library Director Laura Eckley (LE) and Staff Assistant Ryan Madonna (RM).

Board Chair PD called the meeting to order at 6:54 pm. PD requested that RM take the Minutes and thanked him for his assistance.

The Board reviewed and unanimously approved the Minutes of the Board Meeting of March 12, 2014.

Friends of the Larchmont Public Library Liaison Report

WR reported that the second annual Friends' Spelling Bee, held on 4/6, was well-attended and well-received by the community. WR also reported that the second annual Brickfest was, once again, a huge success and raised over \$5,000 for the Friends. She thanked the Library Board members who had volunteered at Brickfest. In turn, PD thanked the Friends and WR for hosting both of these wonderful community events.

Committee Reports

Finance and Budget Committee:

Schedule of Bills and Performance Report: The Board reviewed and unanimously approved the Schedule of Bills dated 4/3/14 and 4/10/14. The Board received and accepted the Performance Report dated 4/4/14.

Building and Grounds

LE reported that she met with Nedra Gillette of The Garden Club of Larchmont and landscape designer Catherine Wachs to review the library grounds. She reported that Ms. Wachs agreed to replace several bushes (free of charge) that did not survive the harsh winter and that additional plants will be added to the garden with help from a \$500 Friends' contribution. LE also reported that the portable defibrillator has been delivered and will be mounted after a staff training session.

Director's Report

LE updated the Board on staff members currently on Family Medical Leave and Disability Leave. At her request, the Board unanimously approved the hiring of Darcy Kaye, part-time Children's Librarian, at a rate \$29.50 an hour and a Sunday rate of \$30.65 an hour, effective 3/17/14. LE also reported that Children's Librarians Rebecca Teglas and Marca McClenon have applied for grants from Better World Books and Target for Early Literacy. LE also reported the Library received a \$5,000 donation from Marketfield Group in honor of Carol Loomis and an \$800 grant in kind from NY State for MTA taxes. The Board expressed its great appreciation to Ms. Loomis for her ongoing support of the library. At the suggestion of LE, and in recognition of their years of service to the library, the Board unanimously approved wage increases for the following part-time Library Clerks, effective immediately: Linda Bhandari, increased to \$12.79 an hour; Maureen McGowan, increased to \$12.79 an hour; and Sue Eilers, increased to \$14.29 an hour.

Executive Session

At 7:38, the Board voted unanimously to enter into Executive Session to discuss labor matters. At 8:26, the Board voted unanimously to exit Executive Session.

Board Chair PD adjourned the meeting at 8:27pm. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board will be held on May 14, 2014 at 6:45pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Ryan Madonna
Staff Assistant