

ALTAMONT FREE LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
APRIL 16, 2012

Present: Christine Capuano, Linda Cure, Sally Dague, Rebecca Edwards, Ron Ginsburg, Mike Hill, Ellen Howie, Betty Ketcham, Tony Kossmann, Amy Martin, Craig Sargent, Natalie Schipano, Pat Spohr, Yvette Terplak, Judith Wines

Absent: Tracy Russell, Christine Lennard

Other: Kristin Casey

Tony Kossmann called the Regular Board Meeting of the Altamont Free Library to order at 7:05 pm.

On a motion made by Yvette Terplak and seconded by Sally Dague, the minutes of the March 12, 2012 meeting were approved, as amended (see attached).

Judith Wines presented the Director's Report (attached) and announced that she is gathering ideas for the summer reading program, possibly involving legos or jenga type building blocks for number of books read.

Betty Ketcham presented the Treasurer's Report (see attached). The Library received \$1,000 from Price Chopper, \$900 from the GHS Class of 1981; and \$2,000 from the Praxair Foundation for computers. \$41,943.39 was expended for the renovation of the train station. On a motion made by Mike Hill and seconded by Christine Capuano, the Board approved the Treasurer's Report.

The Program, Policies and Personnel Committees did not meet.

Tony presented the report from the Building Committee. Volunteer work is still ongoing, and the Board discussed the sign variance, shelving, smoke alarms, landscaping and the EPF visit. Eagle Scout David LaSalle is building shelving in the library work room for his Eagle project. On a motion made by Linda Cure and seconded by Amy Martin, the attached Landscape Proposal from the Master Gardeners was unanimously approved.

Under old business, Tracy Russell was to be sworn in but was absent, so she will be sworn in at the next meeting. The Board discussed preparations for the Village garage sale and Amy reported that the Three Chairs for Guilderland library chairs have been primed and painted.

Under new business, the Board discussed preparations for the June 2nd and June 3rd Grand Opening ceremonies. The event on the second will include a wine and cheese reception. Elegant Touch will donate the appetizers and the Library will pay for the bartender and 2 servers (approx. \$300).

The Saturday event will be held from 6-8 pm and Sunday will be from 2-5 pm. There will be two ribbon cuttings.

Kristin Casey presented the donor list and discussed the makeup of the display and the plaques. She requested that the Board review the donor list for any last minute changes.

The Board also discussed the moving plan and we will work on moving books beginning Saturday. Jim Gaige will look at the meeting room flooring to see if he can sand and finish it.

The UHLS annual dinner is coming up on June 13th and UHLS has invited the attendees to stop by the Library/Train Station for coffee and dessert to view the new home of the Altamont Free Library. Judith requested that representatives of the Board be at the library that night for the dessert reception. Volunteers will be contacted to make desserts.

She also reported that UHSL is planning open focus groups to discuss its 5 year plan and would appreciate input from the trustees.

Judith will send an email re: volunteers for Saturday at 10am.

On a motion made by Ron Ginsburg and seconded by Ellen Howie, the meeting was adjourned at 8:21 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda Cure
Secretary