

ALTAMONT FREE LIBRARY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
March 11, 2013

Present : Christine Carpenter, Christine Capuano, Sally Dague, Ruth Dickinson, Betty Ketcham, Tony Kossmann, Christine Lennard, Amy Martin, Craig Sargent , Natalie Schipano, Pat Spohr, Michelle Stevens, Yvette Terplak, Judith Wines

Absent: Bob Haggerty, Tracy Russell

President Sally Dague called the meeting to order at 7:02pm.

The minutes of the February meeting were reviewed and accepted on a motion made by Tony Kossmann, and seconded by Amy Martin.

Judith Wines presented the Director's report (attached to secretary's copy).

Judith was asked if the increase in circulation this year so far is solely due to the fact that the entire collection is available, as it wasn't for the first half of 2012. She said that actually they did a look back to 2010 and 2011 and circulation was still up

Judith also talked about some upcoming programs being funded through grants

Betty Ketcham presented the treasurer's report (attached to Secretary's copy)

Yvette Terplak moved to accept the report and it was accepted after a second by pat Spohr.

#### Committee Reports:

Personnel - no new report

Program - there are many ideas being looked into and discussed by the committee. The library received the arts grant for the concerts in the park series. The grant center suggested fewer cover bands be used in the future.

Building - No new projects at this time. There have been some issues with mice and a concern about snow sliding off the roof after a storm that has heavy snow and a quick melt. There has been some interest by a master gardener for developing a reading garden area.

Policy - The committee will be meeting this month.

Finance - The committee will meet this month. The annual presentation before the village of Altamont Board will be made tomorrow, March 12<sup>th</sup>.

**Old Business:**

Gala Wrap-up - The evening was very successful. Eighteen thousand dollars was realized after expenses. Having an honorary committee nicely augmented the silent and live auction proceeds. The committee met and noted some areas such as slowness of dinner service, which will need to be looked at. As is the case every year, there was discussion about looking into a bigger venue.. A thank you ad will be taken out in the Enterprise and individual letters will be sent as well.

**New Business:**

PTA Garage Sale: It was decided that the library will participate in the annual village wide garage sale the first weekend of May. We will sell only books and media at the library. Amy Martin once again offered her house for any other items that may be dropped off. The library will accept books on May 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Chicken Barbecue - The library will have its annual chicken barbecue on Friday June 14<sup>th</sup>. Dan Capuano will once again organize this event for us.

**Other Business and Comments:**

Sally Dague has set up a library records work day at her house.

Adjournment: Tony Kossman moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:02 pm.  
It was passed after a second by Michelle Stevens.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Yvette Terplak