

MEETING

POUND RIDGE LIBRARY DISTRICT

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

October 10, 2017

LOCATION: POUND RIDGE LIBRARY DISTRICT

TIME: 7:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Pat Dauer, Richard Esman, Michele Gage, Gerry Kaplan, Miriam Schindel, Ken Turner

7:36pm President Schindel opened the meeting.

A Quorum was present throughout the meeting.

Michele Gage makes a motion, seconded by Ken Turner, to approve minutes of Oct. 10, 2017. Approved.

Potential facilities manager:

Ken Gilman presentation of his work and what it comprises.

President's Report:

2 vacant positions on Board. 2 new trustees have yet to be sworn in. Third resident is considering trustee position but says he is concerned that this board has been too distracted by Tinter litigation and supporters and needs to focus on Library's future.

Library Attorneys investigating libel and slander about staff employees by outsiders, creating a hostile environment. They are preparing cease and desist letter that will go out asap.

Discussion of O'Connor and Davies upcoming meeting with Schindel and Kaplan about audit for Library.

Rich Esman reports meeting with Town Board regarding sharing of financial services. Town Board requires Library follow best financial practices, in line with NYS guidelines, which Library does. Some members of Town Board oppose sharing with Library. Esman to attend Town board meeting Oct. 12th when this is discussed.

Steve Conti reached out to O'Connor-Davies to ask how shared services would work.

Discussion of request from Garden Club to erect a sculpture to honor Quincy Carter Stuart. Ken Turner to talk with Connie Marchetti to find out more details.

Report on Programming:

Director Koster reports on upcoming Harvest Festival at which Library will have an active presence. 2 activities, local Fox Lane student Neel Soud will do tech help.

Library has added *Laughter Yoga*, plus a new round of Mindfulness Meditation, Mah Jong, Modified Yoga, and National Novel Writing Month with a writing teacher. Director asks for clarification on how much is in the budget for programs in 2018.

Treasurer's Report:

Financials for June, July, August not ready yet.

Gage says reports are still not accurate. Kaplan says he is asking KMG to correct this going forward. Discussion of how to review financials faster.

For next meeting on Oct 24th, Kaplan to provide financials for June thru September for Board approval.

Koster on Staffing:

Director suggests Library needs 1 FT Adult Reference Librarian and 1 FT Teen services librarian, 2 FT clerks, plus PT Staff Asst. Hiring process is underway.

No Public Comment.

9:37pm Public session closes. Executive Session opens for purposes of discussing matters covered under Attorney-Client Privilege and Matters Pertaining to Personnel.

10pm Executive session ends with no action taken.

10pm Meeting Adjourned

Next Meeting Oct. 24, 2017 at 7:30pm