

February Library Board of Trustees Meeting

Minutes

North Castle Public Library Feb 12, 2024 at 7:00 PM EST

@ 19 Whippoorwill Rd East, Armonk, NY 10504

Attendance

Present:

Members: Diane Borgia, Annie Gala (remote), Steve Harrison (remote), Dean Roseti, Megan Wilt Guests: Saleem Hussain – Liaison - NC Town Board, Kathryn Feeley - NCPL Director, Angela Cooke – NCPL Assistant Director, Susan Grieco - NCPL Reference Librarian, Charity Lunder - Friends of the NCPL, David Fromm - Friends of the NCPL

Absent:

Members: Kim Longo

Call To Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 pm by Megan Wilt who led the meeting.

Task:

II. Approval of January 2024 Minutes

January 2024 Library Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes.pdf

Motion:

Motion to approve the January 2024 minutes.

Motion moved by Diane Borgia and motion seconded by Dean Roseti. The motion was approved by all with Megan Wilt abstaining.

III. Review Warrants

The Revenue/Expense Report for December 2023 (Warrant 12) is attached. Total expenses were \$243,438.36.

The Revenue/Expense Report for January 2024 (Warrant 1) is attached. Total expenses were \$132.383.02.

Thank you to Abbas Sura and Patrick Ricci for their support of NCPL!

- UPDATED Revenue Expense Report Dec 2023.pdf
- Revenue Expense Report Jan 2024.pdf

Friends Report January 2024.pdf

David Fromm provided an update:

 The Community has requested that the library hours to be returned to prepandemic hours

This is in line with the Library Long Range Plan.

Discussion followed:

- Discussed the budget, hours and staffing level pre-pandemic versus current.
- Kathryn explained the Civil Service hiring process.
- Discussed how to best answer the communities questions regarding the hours and the Library's plans to address this request.

David also requested more clarity in the Library communication regarding the Armonk closure to ensure the Community is accurately informed of the timeline and situation. Friends Warrants -

- December The museum passes are incredibly popular. Thank you Friends for the support.
- January The warrants consisted of standard orders and museum passes.

Task:

Task: (view in OnBoard)

Update the Library website to provide current status of the Armonk Closure. Due February 26, 2024 at 5:25 PM EST. Assigned to: Kathryn Feeley

VI. NCPL Updates

- 1. Building Updates
 - 1. Armonk: Truss
 - 2. NCCC: Exterior Ramp
 - 3. NCCC: Interior improvements
 - 4. Security Camera Grants and Bid Process
 - 5. Smart Boards
- 2. Human Resources Update
 - 1. Motion to hire Linda Surovich, Hourly Librarian I.
- 1) Truss project Thank you Saleem for intervening in the Truss project. Graham Restoration is returning on 2/14 complete the work on the ridge headers Expected completion is 2/22. Felix will paint and the entire area will receive a deep cleaning. The staff has been doing a great job juggling space to continue providing library services. Reopening is expected in March.

- 1. Program Highlights
- 2. Door Counters
- 3. Adult Programs
- 4. Children's Programs
- Door counters 2024.pdf
- Adult Programs 2024.xlsx
- Children's Programs 2024.xlsx

Program highlights - There were 145 attendees at the animal program. The Chess club continues to be popular and an instructor scheduled. Susan Grieco noted that NWP served as alternative location for patrons during Armonk branch renovation closure.

X. Public Comment

Public comments:

- 1) Please clarify the timeline to get extra library hours.
 - Kathryn provided additional detail and described the overall process.
- 2) Please provide more detail on the timeline and background for the construction project in Armonk that necessitated a closure.
 - A discussion followed on how to improve the communication around the closure.
 An action was assigned to update the Library website to reflect the current status.

XI. For the Good of the Order

Additional information was provided about the Composting - food waste recovery in town with a request to highlight this in the Library.

Motion:

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:43pm.

Motion moved by Megan Wilt and motion seconded by Steve Harrison. The motion was approved by all.

NCPL Door Counter 2023 & 2024

Door (Counter 20	023
	Armonk	NWP
January	3,562	2,414
February	3,473	2,395
March	3,927	2,578
April	4,107	3,057
May	4,467	3,343
June	7,782	3,787
July	4,766	4,705
August	4,612	3,995
September	5,081	3,941
October	6,651	2,897
November	3,020	3,268
December	2,687	2,304
TOTAL	54,135	38,684
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