

FLOYD MEMORIAL LIBRARY  
Minutes of meeting March 2, 2015.

Members present: Rosemary Gabriel, Seth Kaufman, Melina Angelson, Buffy Hartmann, Diane Mulvaney, Rebecca Miller and Director Lisa Richland.

Absent: Peter Sacks.

The Board meeting was called to order at 6.05pm.

The minutes of February 11, 2015 were approved on motion of 1) Kaufman, 2), Miller unanimous.

The bills were ordered paid on motion of 1) Miller, 2), Angelson unanimous. The treasurer's reports were accepted and filed for audit.

Treasurer's Report:

The Library received funds from the school district in February. Expenditures were a bit lighter, with less going on in the deep winter.

Director's Report:

The LED lighting project is moving forward and work will begin this week. There will be some disruption in the Children's Room as light fixtures are removed and replaced, but it should be short term with completion before the end of the month.

Children's Librarian Joe Cortale is recovering at home from surgery and expected to return to work by the end of March.

Bidding on the garden work has been delayed owing to the harsh winter conditions. The original submission date was February 28, but two bidders made the reasonable point that they could not bid on a garden they could not see under snow! The submission date has been pushed to March 20 and all the bidders have been notified.

The Director's annual visit to Albany was underwhelming. Our local Senator and Assemblyman were not available, and the Director instead met with their aides. No assurances were provided that our concerns would be addressed, but neither were they dismissed out of hand. With the current chaos in Albany in the wake of the Silver indictment it is unclear what can be expected this year.

Weeding of the collection is in progress. The paperbacks and large type collection have been completed, and fiction is now in progress. Some of the weeded books go to the Friends, some are sold on Amazon, and others go to various distributors. The Library is working hard to keep them out of the waste stream. In the end it is expected that 15-18% of the collection will be weeded.

Committees:

*Building* – No problems to report. With this harsh winter other local libraries have had frozen pipes and roof issues, so we count ourselves very lucky.

*Policy* – The conflict of interest policy revisions are in progress.

New Business:

Changing the configuration of the Library is being considered with a view towards giving the Young Adult section additional space. Possibilities include moving fiction downstairs to make room for a larger YA section upstairs. Other alternatives will be discussed at the next meeting.

The Board approved the New York State library report for filing on motion of Hartmann, Angelson unanimous.

Meeting was adjourned at 6.34pm on motion of Gabriel. The next meeting will be on April 13<sup>th</sup> at 6.00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Seth Kaufman, secretary