

The Hampton Library in Bridgehampton
Minutes of the November 15, 2017
Regular Meeting

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE HAMPTON LIBRARY

MINUTES

Wednesday November 15, 2017

Present: Present: Louise Collins, Sarah Stenn, Jackie Poole, Matthew Rojano, Tom White, Harvey Loomis.

Absent: Sarah Ferguson, John Vendetti, Tom House

Business Manager Danielle Menchise sitting in for director Kelly Harris.

President Collins called the meeting to order at 4:06 pm.

Matthew Rojano moved, Sarah Stenn seconded and the Board voted unanimously to approve the proposed agenda dated November 15, 2017.

Tom White moved, Sarah Stenn seconded and the Board voted unanimously to approve the minutes of the October 11, 2017 Regular meeting.

Ms. Menchise reported that 26 donors have given \$5,960 to the Library for the annual appeal. In addition, eight donations totaling \$825 have been received in memory of John Wood; and another donation of \$100 was received to honor Judy Daniel's birthday.

Sarah Stenn moved, Tom White seconded and the Board voted unanimously to accept the Departmental Reports for the Period October 1 through October 31, 2017.

The major new business of the day centered on an email from staffer Amy Wahl, who reported to the President that a personage from the Bridgehampton School faculty had approached her and complained that she had come to the Library after school hours and observed in the Young Adult space a school boy sitting next to a girl with his arm around her shoulder. This was, she complained, "inappropriate behavior", and she contended that the Library should take steps to stop such behavior. Various degrees of displeasure from the Board members greeted this report: it was pointed out that the two students were known to be "going out", and that an arm around the shoulder is hardly inappropriate, and more to the point, that the faculty member has no right to dictate the behavior of students outside of the school. President Collins agreed to contact the school to discuss the problem and to emphasize the Library's serious effort to make it a welcoming haven for young adults.

Tom White moved, Jackie Poole seconded and the Board voted unanimously to approve the following financial matters:

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DISBURSEMENTS

- a. The prepayments of checks dated 10/11/17-10/20/17 in the amount of \$25033.86.
- b. The disbursements of checks dated 11/08/17 numbered 14273-14306 in the amount of \$30267.22.

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- a. The payroll for the periods 09/27/17-10/10/17 in the amount of \$26,083.332 and 10/10/2017-10/24/17 in the amount of \$262668.20.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

- a. The Operating Financial Reports prepared by Danielle Menchise, the Library's Business Manager, for the period 10/01/2017 to 10/31/17.

Jackie Poole moved, Tom White seconded and the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 4:45pm.

*Respectfully submitted,
Harvey Loomis, Secretary.*