

Skaneateles Library Association
Regular Meeting Agenda
June 12, 2018

Present: Danette Davis, President, David Graham, Vice President, Andrew Hagen, Treasurer, Laurie Spencer, Secretary, Trustees Karen Morrissey Bedard, Paula Conan, Scott Elia, Susanne Guske, Dave Hempson, Amanda Latreille, Dave Lee and Todd Marshall; Library Director Nickie Marquis and Assistant Library Director Deanna King.

Absent: Trustees Mike Cirincione, Bob Lotkowitz and Peg Whitehouse

President Danette Davis called meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

Hearing no objections the May 8, 2018 Regular Meeting Minutes were approved

Public Comment: none

Treasurer Financial Report: Year to Date budget including Operating Expenses were discussed. All expenses are in line. Books Ends Account has been closed, remaining money has been transferred to SLA Operating Account.

Library Director's Report: Previously distributed. Director Marquis encouraged all to visit Austin Park and read the Story Walk. The story will be changed each month through August.

Summer 2018 SLA Offerings- "The Great American Read", Library Loot w/bingo card and Middle School Summer Reading Challenge.

Trustee Latreille inquired when the Summer Reading Challenge will begin? Director Marquis stated July 2, 2018.

Trustee Guske suggested that for Summer 2019 all Waterman School students receive a flyer that includes the Summer reading list and library activities.

Trustee Latreille similarly suggested that the Summer Reading Program information be shared with all Skaneateles Nursery Schools.

Director Marquis proposed eliminating fines for children and teen materials. General discussion followed, after which Trustee Marshall moved to eliminate fines for children and teens and Trustee Hempson seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Other Business:

Book Sale- Trustee Conan reported that Book Sale posters have been distributed throughout Skaneateles. Set Up Day is Saturday, June 30, 2018. A variety of assistance is needed from Board Members, including be in charge of specific work shift(s) during the Sale.

Governance- Trustee Conan reported that a temporary committee comprised of Board Members Conan, Graham, Guske, LaTrelle and Spencer will meet in July to discuss and examine the SLA by-laws on election methods and term limits for trustees. The Committee expects to present recommendations to the Board at its September Meeting with the hope of being able to vote on any changes at the October meeting.

Communications- Committee members Latreille, Guske, Bedard, Davis, Marquis and King met with Strategic Communications to discuss library messaging, marketing and programming. Assistant Director King will be updating the SLA website and mailing the library newsletter to all SCSD families for July & August library offerings.

Site Search Committee-Trustee Elia reported that the committee has looked at 19 sites, ranking and assessing each for feasibility. At the same time, expansion of the existing building continues to be assessed. Architects Paul Mays & Linda Hayes' most recent conceptual sketch is being reviewed and will be re-designed. President Davis, Director Marquis and Assistant Director King met with Paul & Linda to discuss those revisions.

Public Comment: Fran McCormick inquired if a date has been set for the results of the site search committee's work. Trustee Elia responded that he will share her query with Site Search Committee in hopes of setting goal date. Fran also stated that the library's front entrance steps are in poor condition. Trustee Lee responded that he look into repairing the steps in the near future.

Carol Young asked President Davis how she would feel if Seymour Library was sold off to a developer for condominiums. She stated that the mission of the Skaneateles Library needs to be examined.

A motion was made by Trustee Hempson, seconded by Trustee Elia and unanimously passed to enter into executive session to discuss real estate matters at 7:32 p.m. whereupon the general public was asked to leave and the Board went into executive session. The executive ended at 8:25 p.m. and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Laurie Spencer, Secretary

Next Meeting: Tuesday August 14, 2018 at 6:30 p.m.