MINUTES
GARFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY

Board of Trustees

REGULAR MEETING
Wednesday
May 25, 2022

1. The regular meeting of Wednesday, May 25, 2022 was called to order at 7: PM by President, Ruth Springer.

2. President Ruth Springer asked for the Roll Call:

Present:
President, Ruth Springer
Secretary, Donna Miller
Treasurer Suny Mellawa
First Vice President, Jazzmine Paz Virtual
Second Vice President Raymond Rivas Virtual
Alternate for Superintendent Anna Sciacca, Marie Marx
Mayor Richard Rigoglioso arrived 7:15pm left 8:00pm
Director, Mary Jo Jennings

Absent:
Mayor Richard Rigoglioso
Superintendent Anna Sciacca
Alternate for Mayor Richard Rigoglioso Christopher Braitsch

Visitor:
Joachim Riedler

3. President, Ruth Springer read the following statement:

Pursuant to the Open Public Meeting Act, Chapter 231, Laws of 1976, adequate written notice of this meeting, together with the agenda of this meeting is to be:

a) permanently posted on the Board's officially designated public bulletin board, located in the Garfield Public Library lobby, 500 Midland Avenue, in the City of Garfield,
b) delivered to the Passaic Herald News, and the Community News, newspapers circulating in the City of Garfield,
c) filed with the City Clerk of the City of Garfield; and
d) mailed to all persons, if any, who have requested said notice, pursuant to Section 14 of Chapter 231, Laws of 1976.

Due to the current COVID-19 quarantine, notice of this meeting was posted electronically on Facebook, the city webpage, and the Garfield Free Public Library webpage.

4. It was moved by Marie Marx and seconded by Suny Mellawa and unanimously carried to accept the Minutes from April, 2022.

5. The May Treasurer's report has been accepted as presented and bills will be paid.

6. Communications: None

7. Community Room: None

Director's Report:

- Director attended:
    - Both the Director's and the Trustee's New Jersey State Library Check-In for the month of March.
    - BCCLS Finance Webinar on BCCLS Bill May 10th 10:30 am
    - Director and Trustee President attended Finance Meeting with the Mayor, City Manager and CFO May 10th at 12:00pm
    - May 12th Director attended webinar on Cyber threats
    - GPC meeting was attended via zoom
    - Saturday May14th two Library Staff members attended the Wellness Fair at Century field.
    - Tuesday the Contracted informed me there was sewage backup late Monday afternoon hindering the work being done in the basement. I informed the Mayor and Trustee President of the situation. The mayor had a developer contact me for what needed to be done. I haven't heard from the developer since I sent the work order to him.
    - Children's Librarian and another employee attended the PreK Resource night May 19th.

Old Business:

Centennial Committee Report:

A meeting was held on May 21st.
A fundraiser was held at Chipotle Essex St. Lodi
on Saturday, May 7 from 4 -8 pm.
A Pasta Night is being planned for October.
A Panera fundraiser is planned for November.
Friends of the Library will be running the raffle.
Tom Duch, Rosemarie Aloia and Malachi Dye are being honored
at the May 25th , 2023 gala.
The next meeting is June .
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Garfield Free Public Library Foundation Update

Restructuring suggestions are being researched.

Friends of the Garfield Library Update

A meeting was held on May 21st.
The next meeting will be June 18th.
. The Book Sale will be held on Saturday, June 11th.
Mayor Rigoglioso will sponsor a Books and Brunch event Saturday, June 11th.
Sale dates are June 11, Sept. 10 and Oct. 8.
Rain dates are the following Saturday.

By- Laws Update:

The Director will post the By-Laws on Google Docs.

Budget 2022

The Director has presented a new budget.

New Business:

Construction Update:

The sewers will be repaired.

Donna Miller offered and Marie Marx seconded the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Regular Meeting of Wednesday, May 25, 2022 of the Garfield Free Public Library Board of Trustees was adjourned at 8:16 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Miller
Trustee Secretary