

**Lower Providence Community Library
Board of Trustees meeting
January 20, 2020**

Present: Nancy Klein, president; Lisa Bono; Michele Santoro; Karen Stine; Arthur Miller; Peter MacFarland, supervisor's liaison; Marija Skoog, library director; Lisa Yanak, Friends of the Library.

Trustee absence: Discussion of the absences of Earl Catagnus. Nancy will contact him for an explanation. We will defer any action until the February meeting.

New trustee: Nancy introduced Karen Stine, newly appointed trustee. Karen spoke about her experience followed by remarks from other trustees describing their respective backgrounds.

Supervisor's liaison: Peter reported that the township supervisors had reorganized after the recent election, choosing Jason Sorgini as the new president.

Treasurers's report: Given by Marija; she reported that for the year 2019 we were \$1100 under budget for expenses and \$1000 over budget in income; therefore close to our declared budget. The library did not receive a usual "large corporation donation" in 2019. In discussion afterwards, it was decided to separate future treasurer's reports into normal operating costs and occasional costs. A certificate of deposit is coming due; Nancy decided that we would call in the district consultant to advise us on future investment strategy.

Friends of the Library: Lisa Yanak said the Friends have reorganized with new officers for 2020. The group will hold another \$5-a-bag book sale from February 15-23.

Approval of minutes: The minutes of December 17, 2019, were approved with one correction. Motion by Lisa, seconded by Michelle.

Library director's report: The library has converted our public computer system from the Comcast wireless network to the McLinc ENA network with the help of technician Joe Ferraro. We anticipate fewer computer problems and better security with the new system. Marija also announced that a new part-time employee, Heejae Gerhab, started work January 20.

Our fall appeal to residents of the township brought in donations totaling \$32,185, more than the year previous.

Marija met with members of the Key Club of Methacton High School who have offered that some of their members could come to the library on occasion to mentor anyone who has a computer problem.

Spring fundraiser: A committee will meet this week to firm up plans for the wine tasting event, "Cheers for 20 Years." Eight different wines have been purchased. The food offered will be catered this year. We will soon send out a letter seeking sponsors for the event. We hope to have gift baskets to raffle off.

Election of officers: An election was held to choose officers for the trustees for 2020. All nominations and elections were unanimous. Nancy Klein will continue as president. Michelle Santoro was elected vice president. Lisa Bono was elected treasurer. Art Miller will continue as secretary.

Meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

Arthur Miller, secretary

