Lower Providence Community Library Board of Trustees meeting June 18, 2018

The meeting convened at 7:10 p.m.

Present: Nancy Klein, president; Lisa Bono, Lucy Arnold, Art Miller, Lynn Burkholder, (library director). Ben Simkin, David Nawrocki and Earl Catagnus excused.

Approval of minutes: May 21 minutes were approved on motion of Lisa, seconded by Lucy.

Treasurer's report: Lynn reported for Ben, pointing out the substantial income received during the month of \$7430 from our annual appeal solicitation as well as the large allotment of \$397,917 to fund the library received from the township. On the expenditure side there was a larger-than-usual expense for payroll because three pay periods were covered. From this additional income we made a \$96,015 repayment on the library's debt. Art moved, Lucy seconded approval of the report.

Library Director's report: The planned congregating area for teens has been completed with new furniture and additional electrical outlets and has already been popular with teen visitors. Anuradha Baskar has joined the staff, filling the vacancy left by Kate Weaver. Since dropping the fees charged for DVDs at the beginning of the year, there has been a 46 percent increase in circulation of adult DVDs and a 78 percent increase for children's DVDs. For the first time, the Methacton School District will open elementary school libraries on rotating two-week periods during the summer as they join the library to encourage summer reading. The Audubon Women's Club awarded the library a gift of \$975 from proceeds from their fashion show. Lynn also reported on her progress toward meeting her quarterly achievement goals.

OLD BUSINESS

Outreach to Shannondell: Discussion about providing a demonstration to Shannondell residents of the off-site electronic capabilities of the LPCL to encourage their use. Lynn will contact Shannondell to arrange for a demonstration by one of our librarians.

Fall fundraiser: Discussion about a possible Casino Night. Nancy has contacted a company that stages casino events. Lucy will research a horse-racing event as a possible back-up idea. The fundraising subcommittee will meet to decide on July 11.

NEW BUSINESS

Library banner: Lynn researched the type and cost of a 30"x20" banner to be displayed with the traffic light at the administrative complex entrance at Ridge Road that would attract attention to the library. Lynn showed an attractive design. We voted to purchase two fabric banners that maintenance would then mount at the light.

Volunteer Appreciation Night: Decided to hold this traditional free ice cream social event in either July or August (probably 6:30 p.m.) in the library's community room. We'll give each of the volunteers a gift, probably a set of ear buds.

Strategic plan: The committee will meet soon to finalize a survey which will be distributed to the public to gain opinions about services the library might offer. These opinions will be considered as the committee writes a new strategic plan for the library.

Meeting adjourned at 8;20 p.m.

Arthur Miller, Secretary