

Daniel Pierce Library
Board of Trustees Meeting
May 15, 2024

A meeting of the Trustees of the Daniel Pierce Library was called to order at 7:15 pm with President Mari Martin presiding. Other Trustees present were Mike Schiffer, Bill Richardson, Cathy Coombe, Leanore Egan, Pat Doogan, Bob Eddings and Dave Schneyer. Also present were Cathy Russo, Finance Manager; and Director, Elizabeth Wolpert.

Public Comments: None.

Secretary's Report: The minutes of the April 17, 2024 meeting were reviewed and approved as presented.

Correspondence: Leanore read a thank you note from Susan Mootz, a library volunteer.

Financial Reports: The Board reviewed the financial statements for April and Cathy Russo addressed questions. The Balance sheet figures were otherwise little changed from the previous report. She noted that for the Building Fund, there were expenses for signage /plaques for the interior of the building, and large expense to replace heat pump number 13 in the geothermal system.

On the income and expense statement she noted a new line item for the donation box. C Russo is creating separate line items for each fund raiser event income and expense, for comparison purposes. All expenses were within normal ranges for the month of April.

It was moved by P Doogan and seconded by C Coombe to accept the financial statements for April. Motion carried.

Director's Report: Director Beth Wolpert presented the Director's Report for April into May. The report covered various areas including Facilities, Programming, Staff, Fundraising, and Events. She has registered the library to use Venmo, so patrons may pay for services and make donations electronically. This should greatly improve donation options. Her report is attached.

Old Business:

New Business:

Committee Updates: Mari presented an update for the 125th Anniversary Committee. All components for the June 8 and 9 dates are on track. Invitations have been sent out and signage is being assembled and put up in appropriate parts of the building.

Giant Pumpkin Party: Cathy updated the board on GPP planning ideas so far. A staff organizational meeting was held May 13 to discuss new ideas for food, games and activities, in order to reduce upfront costs and risk in the event of poor weather. A full organizational meeting will be scheduled for late June.

It was moved by Bill Richardson and seconded by Dave Schneyer to Executive session. Motion carried.

It was moved to adjourn the meeting. Moved by Dave S and seconded by Bill Richardson. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Coombe, Secretary