

KENT PUBLIC LIBRARY
Board of Trustees
Minutes of November 17, 2020 Meeting

The meeting of the Kent Public Library Board of Trustees (“KPL Board”) was called to order at 7:01 PM by Marty Collins with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Meeting was held and recorded using GotoMeetings.

Present: Marty Collins, Board President, Carol Donick, Library Director, Mike Mahoney, Tom Maxson, Otto Romanino, Ava Rogers, Jessica McMath, Breanne Griffith, and Jane Fowler (Friends of the Kent Library and Liaison to the Board).

Approval of Minutes: A motion to approve the minutes of the October 20, 2020 meeting was made by Mike, seconded by Tom and approved by all.

Treasurer’s Report: A motion to approve the Treasurer’s Report through November 2020 was made by Ava, seconded by Breanne, and approved by all.

Invoice Payment: The motion to approve the payment of invoices listed on our check registers and credit card invoice from October 21, 2020 to November 17, 2020 was made by Tom, seconded by Jessica and approved by all.

Report of the Library Director: A motion to bring back Fine Forgiveness until December 31st 2020 was made by Otto and seconded by Breanne and approved by all.

The motion to approve the Library Director’s Report was made by Tom, seconded by Jessica, and approved by all.

Report on Standing Committees: Notes below.

Friends – Partially open for purchases on Monday mornings.

There is no new president to take over Rich Harrison’s position when he steps down at the end of the year, but the Friends are working together and actively searching for a replacement.

Policy- Carol is working on a write-up of the Pandemic Response Plan.

Public Relations- There seems to be less press on the **online** programs that are happening at the library, but there was a write up about the recent online art show. There is less newspaper press but the library is being mentioned more on social media outlets.

Old Business: None noted.

New Business

- A. A discussion of other possibilities to replace the annual staff lunch due to Covid safety protocols. A possible alternative for this year was to give out a bag of cookies to each staff member, which totals around 16 people. Marty will inquire with Shoprite about prices and cookie options.

Next Board Meeting: Announcement of Next KPL Board meeting is Tuesday, December 15, 2020 at 7PM.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn was made by Breanne seconded by Jessica, and approved by all at 8:01PM.

Respectfully Submitted

Ava Rogers