

Tuckahoe Public Library Board of Trustees
Meeting Minutes
Monday, February 23, 2009

Call to Order: 7:03 p.m.

In Attendance: Joanne Kennedy, Ed Keenan, Alison Chilson, Jacqueline McCray, Debbie Coppola (Director)

Signing of Vouchers:

February Vouchers: \$20,510.01, Trust and Agency \$00.00

President's Report:

Approval of January 2009 Minutes

Motion to approve Joanne, Alison 2nd, All in favor

Library Liaison Report:

Parking lot funding: Luigi will look into \$4,567 deducted from Trust and Agency for parking lot. Monies should be deducted from Fund Balance.

Monthly Library Calendar:

Story Time: Fridays: 2-4 yrs. 11 am : birth-2 yrs.

Ten Streets, Twenty Families 3/08/09 2:30 pm

Book Club: Brick Lane 3/26/09; 3/30/09 11 am and 6:30 pm

Memoir Writing Workshop 3/27/09 12:00 pm

Director's Report:

Circulation: 6446 down from 6545 in 2008 and up from 5943 on 2007.

Budget: Debbie presented a 2009/10 budget which included cuts for 3.78% + no increase which ends up to be 6.78% in cuts. \$415,000 + \$103,000 benefits. Debbie also offered to forgo her pay increase due to the budget crisis.

Budget would entail closing Library for 7 hours per week: (Wednesday evening and early closing on Saturday at 1 pm.) Approximately \$10,000 would be needed to keep Library open until 3pm on Saturday. Joanne asked Luigi to speak with Mayor and Village Board to see if these monies would be available.

Summer Reading: The Library received a \$4,000 grant from the Community Fund to sponsor Summer Reading Program. The Community Fund reported that their funds are low and less money is available this year.

The Library has introduced a .50 fine for not picking up items placed on hold. Patrons will be advised of new policy with verbal communications and posted signs. Fees will be placed directly on Library Card account.

Library.com: Patrons may sign up for free at this website to receive text message or e-mail reminders about books on hold.

Giving Tree Update: \$757.78 for 2008. A list of donors is posted. A few names were missing and Debbie is trying to update.

Lobby Day: Tuesday, 3/10/09. Debbie will attend. WLS sponsoring bus to Albany.

Yearly Air Testing: Village will no longer pay for this. Luigi suggested bi-yearly testing.

Website Calendar Demo: Debbie and staff demonstrated a new website designed for free by a patron. The Board agreed that the new look is very professional and user friendly.

Pictures of patrons will no longer be used on the site due to privacy concerns. A calendar of events is included and patrons may sign up for reminders about these events.

\$279/yr.fee will still be paid to the site administrator for updates, etc.

Old Business: None

Next Meeting:

Monday, April 20, 2009 at 7 pm.

Public Discussion: Limit to 3 minutes per person.

Executive Session

Adjournment: 8:05 pm, Motion by Jackie, 2nd by Ed.

Alison Chilson

Recorder of Minutes