

## **Sparta Library Board of Trustees**

**November 29, 2017**

The November meeting of the Sparta Library Board of Trustees was called to order at 4:30 by Brian Doherty, President. Those in attendance included Andrew Lowery, Mark Beardmore, Sally Bertellotti, Doreen Skok (via Skype), Brian Doherty, Ailish Hambel, Molly Whilesmith and David Costa, Director. On a motion by Sally and a second by Mark, the minutes were approved as circulated. The financial report was discussed, and on a motion by Mark and a second by Andrew, the Board approved transfers from accounts 252, 239 AV and 234 to accounts 251, 255E and 261. The Director's report highlighted the events that were held during October. The library hosted its monthly movie night, a program on photographic composition with Paul Michael Kane focusing on birds of prey, a virtual tour of the Medieval Collection of the Met's Cloisters, and a sobering documentary on officers who need assistance.

During the month we also began a Spanish course with Marlene Tedeschi that we hope will have the same success as our French class. The library has purchased an upgraded 3D printer which should be much faster, and we are happy to announce the hiring of a new circulation clerk, Haley James, who comes to us with previous library experience. Finally, we wish say a sad "good bye" to two long-time staffers who are retiring, Nancy Hammer and Lisa Berg. We wish them a wonderful retirement as full-time grandmothers.

### **Unfinished Business:**

- A. The new children's librarian, Meaghan Darling, will start on Dec. 18th.**
- B. The new part-time circulation clerk is Haley James.**

### **New Business:**

- A. Holiday Wish Tree will be up between Nov. 17 and Dec. 15**
- B. Fines will once again be donated to Sparta Ecumenical Food Pantry through Dec. 31.**
- C. Our "Fine Policy" will be updated in Jan. to include all items we lend out.**
- D. 2018 meeting dates were approved with a motion by Mark and a second by Sally**
- E. December bills will be paid without the usual meeting on a motion by Mark and a second by Ailish.**

**The meeting was adjourned at 5:10.**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Andrew Lowery**