

Sparta Library Board of Trustees

January 10, 2018

The January 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, David Costa, Director, and Meaghan Darling, our new Children's Librarian. 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 Ailish, the Board approved transfers from accounts 252, 239 AV, 258 and 300 to accounts 221, 255, 261, 257, 239C, 239, 255 Ebook and 266. The Director's report highlighted the events that were held during November and December, and the "State of the Library" report for 2017 was also reviewed.

During the month we celebrated two special days, Cotton Candy Day and Hot Cocoa Day, the latter falling on the coldest day of the year at that point. The Board is sad to bid farewell to our President, Brian Doherty, who has served on the Board of Trustees for 16 years. He has been a tremendous boon to the library, adding his expertise as well as his commitment to excellence as the reputation of the library has continuously grown.

Unfinished Business:

- A. The Holiday Wish Tree raised \$5,124, which was distributed again by the Junior Women's Club to needy families.
- B. The Library donated all collected fines for December (\$1564.80) to the Sparta Ecumenical Food Pantry.

New Business:

- A. With Brian Doherty's resignation a new President was welcomed. With a motion by Andrew and a second by Sally, Mark Beardmore was voted in as new President.
- B. Resolution #1 - With a motion by Sally and a second by Mark, Ferraiolo, Wielkotz, Cerullo & Cuva, P.A. were appointed as Auditor.
- C. Resolution #2 - With a motion by Andrew and a second by Mark, the New Jersey Herald was selected as the official newspaper for the Sparta Public Library.
- D. Resolution #3 - With a motion by Sally and a second by Doreen, Lakeland Bank was selected as depository for the year 2018.
- E. Meeting room policies for upstairs and downstairs were combined into one policy.
- F. The Board voted, with the recommendation of the town, to close on Saturday and Sunday next year during the German Market.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:10.

Respectfully submitted,

