

Schuylkill Valley Community Library

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

March 13, 2019

1. **Call to Order:** Present were Solomon Lausch, Christie Brown, Kathy Gerber-Fegely, Sharon Wilson, Erica Burch, Kelly Ruth, Roger Schmidt, Patrick Manwiller, Stephanie Jacobs. Helen Flynn was absent.
2. **Minutes for February 19, 2019-** motion to approve.
3. **Treasurer Report-** It was noted that we are within the guidelines for cost to profit ratio for our fundraising. We spent more on books this year and supplies. Heating costs were higher due to cold weather. We were under budget on staffing costs due to the many snow days.
4. **Trustee Reports- none**
5. **Librarian's report-** Dr. Lausch attended the county awards meeting along with Kelly Jacoby. Our EMS submission won recognition with the Community Partners award and SVCL won the Chet Hagan Public Relations award with the scrapbook that Kelly has put together through the year of library activities. Christie reported that she went to the Leesport Grange to accept a donation for the library that evening.
6. **Reports:**
 - Buildings and Grounds-** none
 - Policy Review-** none
 - County Library System-** BCPL Awards ceremony
7. **Library Addition/Keystone Grant-** The borough and the Rec Board have concerns for zoning so we are postponing the grant application until we have zoning approval. There was a discussion about variances for a non-profit.
8. **Annual State Report-** Christie reviewed the state report so that the board would be familiar with the state requirements.
9. **Director-** Salary vs hourly employee discussion. The librarian was designated as an hourly employee a few years ago. She would like to continue as an hourly employee. There was a motion passed to pay Christie \$50 quarterly as compensation for her work-related use of her cell phone. There was a motion passed to remunerate Christie a guaranteed 30 hours of work despite weather related closings.
10. **Friends Group-** Dates to remember: 1) Book Sale- April 12 and 13, set up April 11; 2) Golf tournament April 28; Joint Friends Board Meeting May 8.

11. Other- There was a discussion about how snow days impact staffing. Patrick recommended a group to play music at the golf tournament. Dr. Lausch commented that the Teachers in the Park program was excellent and very well attended.

12. Next Meeting- April 10, 2019