

## Schuylkill Valley Community Library

### Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

April 11, 2018

1. Call to Order at 6:55pm - Present were Solomon Lausch, Erica Burch, Christie Brown, Cathy Hartman, Kathy Gerber-Fegely, Roger Schmidt, Helen Flynn, Stephanie Jacobs, Sharon Wilson. Barbara Parker, Karen Bailey, and Marianne Bowman were guests from the Friends of SVCL. A local resident, Patrick Manwiller, also attended.
2. Minutes from March 18 were approved.
3. Treasurer's Report - Dr. Lausch complimented Christie's careful monitoring of salaries which comprise two thirds of the budget and Sharon's excellent notes explaining items in the treasurer's report. The contributions from the Friends are also represented in the budget.
4. Trustee Reports - Dr. Lausch is pleased to welcome new board members.
5. Librarian's Report - Christie reported that circulation is down because of the bridge construction. In addition, special programs were not held due to school closings due to weather. Some of those programs will be rescheduled for summer programs. Kelly's "Taking Flight" programs have been creative and successful and her home school programs are impressive. Kelly also will be in charge of the Leesport Auction stand for returning and signing out books for people who find that the detours and construction make visiting the library problematic. This extra effort to help the community is supported by a financial contribution from the Friends. Woody Wiest has generously donated the space itself.
6. Reports
  - a. Building and Grounds- Erica plans to power wash the aluminum siding and Kenny will fix the broken drain spout.
  - b. Policy Review - none
  - c. County Library System - Denise has left the area and the county directors are interviewing to fill the leadership position.
7. Welcome Helen Flynn - The board welcomed new member and former librarian Mrs. Flynn.
8. Driveway paving - Roger reported that there is a low bid we would like to accept. Funding and financing were discussed. There was a consensus that we would like to move forward with the project, possibly with a loan from a local bank and a fundraising campaign that will pay off the loan. Water damage, freeze and thaw cycles, and heavy traffic are destroying the original macadam on our parking lot.
9. Friends group - The Friends will be hosting this weekend's gold tournament fundraiser. The Friends need help and invite new members to help their efforts to support the library. Their next meeting is April 17.
10. Other - There was a motion to sign the contract from Sloan Paving for \$16,860 which passed unanimously.
11. Next Meeting - May 9, 2018. Our guest, Mr. Manwiller, expressed interest in joining the board and was welcomed.