

**Bernville Area Community Library**  
**Board of Trustees Meeting**  
**Monday, October 19, 2020**

**Board Members Present:** Judy Blatt, Phyllis Ernst, Kathy Mohn, Bob Stoltzfus, Mary Walsh

**Guest:** Shawn Raup-Konsavage

**Library Director:** Alicea Rodig

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M.

**Dates to Remember:** Next meeting November, 9, 2020.

**Report of Secretary:**

Phyllis made a motion to approve the September minutes and Mary seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Alicea presented the financial report. She says it appears that our funding will be cut by 1/3 for next year. A suggestion was made to put this statement on social media and encourage patrons to write to their legislators to protest the cut in funding.

Kathy moved to accept the treasurer's report and Phyllis seconded the motion. All in favor, none opposed.

**Director's Report:**

A letter was sent to Barry Miller's wife telling her of the tree and plaque that will be planted in Barry's memory in Stanton Clay Park. Mary made a motion to purchase a tree for no more than \$200. The motion was seconded by Kathy. All in favor, none opposed.

A book, "Take the Path of Most Resistance" was purchased for the library in Barry's memory.

The Friends group will meet Monday, October 26 at 6 P.M. in the library. We will need a Board member to act as a liaison between the Friends Group and the Board of Directors.

Bob will attend the meeting on October 26<sup>th</sup>.

A waiver of standards was signed for 2019 and 2020 because the library has not been open the designated hours due to the pandemic.

Books for first and fourth graders have been made available and will be distributed to students.

Debe is planning a scavenger hunt for the children for Halloween.

The library is currently paying \$450 / year to maintain the copier. A motion was made by Kathy and seconded by Mary to replace the copier with a multi function laser/printer copier when our current copier is no longer serviceable. All in favor, none opposed.

The library will set up criteria to prove that it is offering programs to the residents of the community. The borough will base its contribution on the amount of programs we are offering. The library participated in 2 movie nights with the borough this fall and felt it was a successful endeavor.

The fund drive letter will be revised and should be ready to be mailed out early in November.

Alicea discussed ways of providing the homeless population a way to check out books.

### **Old Business:**

Shawn Raup-Konsavage has agreed to return as a BACL Board member. Judy made a motion, seconded by Mary to accept Shawn as a new board member.

### **New Business:**

Bob asked board members to come up with ideas for fund raising for next year.

Shawn reported that the borough has a new LED sign outside borough hall. All events can be advertised.

Shawn will encourage the Bernville Cultural and Heritage Society to hold their meetings in the library.

Shawn recommended that we increase the price of Hot Spots by \$5.00 unless the person has a library card. He also suggested using social media to advertise the Hot Spots to expand our area.

He suggested a baking contest and having a pre sale for pies as a fund raiser.

Shawn questioned the security of an outside router. Alicea will check with Jeff at the county and report to the Board.

The borough news letter is encouraging residents to write about their collections and then display the collection in the library for 3 months.

Selling kits for science camp and a home brew class were also suggested.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:39 P.M.

Judy Blatt, Secretary

