

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
RIDLEY TOWNSHIP PUBLIC LIBRARY & RESOURCE CENTER
April 28, 2025 -- Meeting held in person at the Library**

ATTENDANCE: Diane Maginnis, Donna Murray, Judy Augustine, Deborah Sweeney, Lisa Maffei Hahn, Judy Cianciarulo, Michele Karpyn, Jennifer Quinn

ABSENT: Betsy Cummins, Christine McMEnamin

6 PM Ms. Maginnis called the meeting to order.

PUBLIC NOTICE OF MEETING

Meeting was published in local newspapers, Township website and Library website.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

There were no comments from the public.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY PRESENTATION

Friends Treasurer and Membership Chair Denise Lynch and volunteer MaryBeth Regan presented a check for \$3500 to the Library. The two of them have worked very hard to make this possible and to keep the Friends organization moving along. Ms. Murray presented them with flowers on behalf of Library Staff and Trustees in appreciation and celebration of Volunteer Month.

MINUTES

Motion made to approve the minutes of the March 24, 2025 meeting. (Cianciarulo/Karpyn). Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT

All agreed that the finances look to be in order. Motion made to approve payment of bills for April 2025. (Sweeney/Quinn) Motion carried.

STATISTICS

The Board reviewed the statistics and agreed that they look impressive as always.

NEW BUSINESS

The next meeting of the Ridley Township Board of Commissioners is May 28 (Ms. Quinn volunteered to attend) at 6 PM in Garling Hall. In addition, Ms. Sweeney volunteered to attend the July 23 meeting. The next DCLB meeting is at 6:30 PM on June 26th both on Zoom and in the County Council Room at the Government Center in Media. (Ms. Augustine and Ms. Hahn are scheduled to attend). Ms. Cianciarulo volunteered to attend the August 21 meeting, and Ms. Sweeney to attend the October 16 meeting.

FUNDRAISING REPORT

Our Spring Raffle Basket brought in a grand total of \$1,948. This is the highest amount by far of proceeds we have ever brought in for any raffle. The Board decided against doing a raffle in December and instead do another next Spring, since this one was so successful. Ms. Hahn verified with the Township that the Fall Festival is scheduled for September 21. She will check back with Stock's in May to schedule a fundraiser with pickup date of September 20. Ms. Karpyn is working on getting Venmo for future fundraisers. Ms. Sweeney received a check for \$350 from Tanglewood for our fundraiser. Tanglewood was very generous, giving us extra credit. Everyone was very pleased with their food. They are willing to do another fundraiser for us. The Board decided October 30 would be a good time for that. Ms. Sweeney also approached Luca's Cucina about a fundraiser and will let the Board know if anything comes of it. Ms. Sweeney also suggested using Survey Monkey to get ideas and feedback from library patrons and the community. She will look into that.

LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Murray commented that she has sent everyone the draft Emergency Policy. She requested that questions be sent before the May meeting, so she has time to respond and so that trustees are ready to vote on the policy at the June meeting. The Director also reported that staff are planning an after-hours mini-golf program for July 12-13. She also reported the Friends Book Sale is scheduled for June 7, 9 and 10. Any trustees who are able to volunteer can email Ms. Murray. Ms. Cianciarulo offered to help with the sale. Ms. Hahn volunteered to help with leftover books. Ms. Quinn and Ms. Sweeney offered help with disbursement to various locations if needed.

COMMUNICATIONS

There were no newspaper articles included in this month's meeting packet.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

No Smoking Signs: The Trustees agreed to have Ms. Murray purchase "No Smoking" signs to be placed outside the Library Building on the grounds at appropriate places including walkways and garden sections, due to a recent event of mulch catching fire from a patron's unextinguished cigarette. Folsom Fire Company responded to the incident.

Additional Friends membership dues were collected from Trustees.

Ms. Maginnis reinforced the importance of reviewing the Emergency Policy before the May 19 meeting so that any questions can be discussed.

COMMITTEE/LIAISON REPORTS

Ms. Maginnis attended the March 26 Commissioners' meeting, and Ms. Augustine attended the April 23 meeting. Both reported. Sharon O' Connor was appointed as Treasurer at the April meeting. Ms. Karpyn had submitted a question about Closed Captioning and was told that they don't have permission to do that at this time. Full minutes from the Commissioners' meetings can be found on the Township website. Ms. Quinn attended the April 17 DCLB meeting in person and reported. A library documentary is airing on April 29 on PBS. Full minutes from the DCLB meeting can be found on their website.

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting of the Board of Trustees will be at 6 PM on Monday, May 19, in person at the Library. Please note that this is a week earlier than usual due to the Memorial Day holiday.

BOARD ADJOURNED AT 6:55 PM

Respectfully submitted by:

Lisa Maffei Hahn, Secretary, RTPLRC