Hyde Park Library District  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
September 13, 2023

Attendance: President L. Ruggiero, V.P.C. Chambers, F.O. L. Guynes, Secretary S. Buckley, P. Agne, K. Armstrong, M. Campbell, and Interim Director G. Callahan

Call To Order: 7:00 P.M. 7:05

Previous Minutes: A motion was made by Karin and seconded by Carole to accept the minutes as written. Motion passed unanimously.

Carole led us in a moment of silence in honor and respect for Dave Ray.

President’s Report: Lynn introduced and welcomed Greg as our interim director. She is now working on his contract. She reported that Jan is doing well after her medical leave. The DLD grant application was accepted with the recommended amount of $83,834.000. A motion was made by Lynn and seconded by Karin to move forward to accept the DLD grant. Motion passed unanimously. Our second CD has matured at $101,236.11 and was rolled over into a new CD. We have been bequeathed $100,000.00 from John Golden which will also be put in a CD. Lynn reminded us that the library has a corporate membership for the rotary and any Board member is welcome at their meetings. They meet for lunch at Coppola’s twice a month. Petitions are due for the Oct 12th election. Lynn requested that the policy on usage of the library building by outside groups be revisited. The Capital Campaign Kick Off event was a success.

Director’s Report: Greg has met the staff and Board. He is now re-orienting himself to his former position. He is working on the details for the election. Greg will have the plaque for deceased former Board members updated.

Financial Report: There was no report due to Jan’s hospitalization and Leigh’s absence.

Friends Report: The Friends are tentatively planning the gently used arts and crafts sale for October 20-21st.

Committee Reports:

AIR Committee: A motion was made by Lynn and seconded by Mark to hire the New Paltz grant writing company, Choice Words, for a period of 6 months at a fee of $2000.00 a month for 20 hours of work per month. Motion passed unanimously.

Building and Grounds: The yellow jackets have been removed and all the gutter work is complete. The broken and unusable items that were behind the porch have been removed. Carole will research prices to have the bushes at the from door removed. She will also ask the landscaper what should be done about the hedges. She has given the custodian a list of chores.

Personnel: They will have a meeting to begin the process of hiring a new director.

Strategic Planning: No activity.
**Policy:** The building continuity policy is ready for review.

**Public Relations:** As soon as the Little Library is stained and sealed it will be placed at Nana’s Ice Cream stand on the corner of 9G and Haviland Rd. We have been well-received at the Farmers’ Market.

**Education:** No activity.

**Adjournment:** A motion was made by Mark and seconded by Carole to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:41 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Buckley

Secretary