The Butler Public Library Board of Trustees Minutes
November 3, 2022

Meeting called to order: at 6:02 p.m. by Camille Piccirillo.
The required posting was made in compliance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

Roll Call:
Present: Helene Donargo, Maryanne Hanisch, Ryan Martinez, Camille Piccirillo and Luis Rodriguez (Library Director, ex-officio).

Excused: Nadia Cartelli, Becky Karpowich and Jason Karpowich,

President’s Comments
The President saw an email about a virtual training meeting for Trustees. She encouraged Board members to attend.

Minutes:
M. Hanisch motioned and H. Donargo seconded the motion to approve the minutes as submitted. The Board voted unanimously to approve the motion.

Director’s Report:
The Director had sent his written report to the Board before the meeting. He highlighted some items from the report:

- The Director said that the Library is getting good attendance at programs and people are starting to come back to use the Library for computers, copying, faxing, etc.
- Santa visits the Library on Thursday, December 1. This program has been on hold during COVID. Before that, it good very good attendance.
- The first and second graders visited the Library to get their library cards. They had a great time and we all enjoyed their visit.
- We will start teaching conversational ESL classes. People who attended his past programs have said they were very good.
- In January 2023. on Fridays at 11 a.m., we will start classes on how to play Canasta.

H. Donargo motioned and M. Hanisch seconded the motion to accept the Director’s report. The Board unanimously accepted the report.
**Treasurer’s Report**
The Treasurer and Director had emailed Board members information on the checking accounts and bills to pay.

**Treasurer’s Report - November 3, 2022 -**
Bills Paid - October 12, 2022

- Check # 1549 Borough of Butler $27,701.88
- # 1550 Petty Cash $177.25

**Current Balances**
Lakeland $118,193.95 Interest Rate: 0.15% (unchanged)
NJCMF $9,989.91 3.29% (+0.65%)

The Library just received the 4th quarter check - $92,266.18.

The President asked for a motion to approve the Treasurer’s report. R. Martinez made the motion and H. Donargo seconded the motion. The Board unanimously approved the motion.

**Bills to Pay**
The Library owes the Borough $33,746.42
Petty Cash = $151.16

R. Martinez motioned to approve the bills. H. Donargo seconded the motion. The President did a roll call and the Board unanimously approved the motion.

**Old Business**

**Raise for Certain Staff**
At the October meeting, the Director had asked the Board to approve either a 5% or 7% increase, beginning in January 2023, for certain staff whose hourly rate of pay has not been increased because of increases to the minimum wage. The Board continued its discussion of his proposal.

The Director suggested a 3% raise for these staff, to begin in January 2023. The Board thought that reasonable.

M. Hanisch motioned that the Board give the named employees a 3% raise beginning in January
2023. H. Donargo seconded the motion. The Board did a roll call on the motion and it was approved unanimously.

**New Business**

None

**Public Comments**

No comments.

**Adjournment**

M. Hanisch motioned to adjourn. R. Martinez seconded the motion. The Board approved adjourning the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Luis Rodriguez