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Easton Public Library

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

Zoom Meeting (recorded)

February 1, 2021 - 7-8:30pm

Present - L. Zaffino, L. Dollard, S. Pearlman, A. Burke, V. Rozo

- 1. Meeting was called to order at approximately 7:06 pm.
- 2. Minutes from prior meeting were discussed and approved.
- 3. Treasurer's Report: Vanguard account was established.
- 4. Library Director's Report was discussed. Various special activities are ongoing including online movies which can be viewed on the Library website via Kanopy; upcoming trivia night, jukebox bingo and Art Show. Report is attached.
- 5. New Business: Approval of Dolly Curtis for the Anne Lindquist Library Spirit Award. Review and analysis of necessities of budget for upcoming budget season; approval of Strategic Plan proposal; discussion of upcoming Friends of the Library meeting 2/9/21 and attendance thereto.
- 6. The meeting was adjourned by Motion by Linda Dollard.

Submitted by,

Shari Pearlman

REGULAR MEETING – February 1, 2021 LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- 1. I have been told by Christine Calvert that, as Town employees, we will be in the next wave to receive the COVID vaccine.
- 2. I am putting the finishing touches on our Emergency Plan and I plan to distribute it to the staff next week.
- 3. Our lawn sign exhibit, entitled "Voices of Diversity," will be installed by the end of next week. We have received a variety of wonderful quotes from the community, and the signs are being made. It will also be an online exhibit as well.
- 4. We have been asked to co-sponsor a program about the Freedom Riders, presented by the Easton DTC Racial & Social Justice Task Force on 2/4. We have also been asked by the Mark Twain Library in Redding to collaborate on a series of programs called "Conversations About Race." I said yes to both of them.
- 5. I recently attended a webinar about Library Giving Day, which is April 7. This is a fairly new initiative started in Seattle. A fundraising agency has made free resources available to promote this initiative, so I am planning to take advantage of this.
- 6. We have begun sending out Welcome Packages to new residents in town. These packages includes our newsletter, program brochures, reading lists, bookmarks, Library stats, and Library card applications.
- 7. Thanks to donations from a patron and from the Senior Center, we are now offering Kanopy, a film streaming service that features a lot of indie films and documentaries.
- 8. Our Comedy Night Fundraiser, in collaboration with ECC and Park & Rec, is scheduled for Friday, March 12 at 7:30pm. It is for adults, 18 & up. The link is \$25 if purchased by 2/28, and \$30 if purchased after that date. Please spread the word to your friends and consider purchasing a link yourself. 100% of the profits will be split between the three agencies. Here is the link to sign up:

 https://christineolearyteamgreenlight.vipmembervault.com/products/courses/view/1070427
 The promo code for the \$5 off is ILOVEEASTON.
- 9. The Art Show fundraiser, featuring the work of Keri English-Giddes and her students, is underway in the Community Room. The room looks great and several pieces have already sold! Check it out when you get a chance.
- 10. Upcoming special programs include the following (all are virtual):

2/5 – Jukebox Bingo (All Ages)

2/6 - Hands-On Collage Workshop with Artist Michael Albert (All Ages)

2/11 - All Things Romance! (Adults)

2/25 - Family Lip Sync Challenge (All Ages)

2/27 - One Book/One Town Panel Discussion (Adults)

Submitted by Lynn Zaffino