

**Easton Public Library
Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Minutes
Zoom Meeting (recorded)
March 1, 2021**

Present: L. Dollard, G. Bindelglass, A. Burke, P. Wizda and L. Zaffino

1. Meeting was called to order at 7:04pm.
2. Minutes from February : Meeting minutes were approved with a motion by Adrienne and seconded by Linda.
3. Treasurer's Report: The money that was moved from People's Bank to Vanguard came through today and will potentially be placed into a short term treasury bill.
4. Library Director's Report : Please see attached.
5. Bills and Communication : Bills that came in last month were paid. The Kanopy bill was paid for with donated funds.
6. Public Participation : None
7. Old Business:
 - a. Anne Lindquist Award: Will be presented to Dolly Curtis this year. Will hold off on planning the reception to summer to hopefully be able to have an in person reception.
 - b. Copier: Trying to get the cost of the new copier placed as a line item in the budget. Currently, need to find funds to pay the rental fee until June. The Friends of Easton Library might be able to contribute some of the money.
 - c. Budget: Was presented to the First Selectman. There is a 3.6% increase from last years budget. A majority of the increase is for salary and benefits which is controlled by the Union. The budget will be presented to the Board of Finance Wednesday March 3rd at 7:40.
 - d. Expansion/Building Committee: There is a question if the current Committee should be dissolved and re-formed when the project moves forward.
8. New Business:
 - a. Board Self-evaluation: A patron suggested that the Board should do a self-evaluation at least annually. Lynn will look for a template to present at the next meeting.

Motion for adjournment made by Gloria seconded by Adrienne. Meeting adjourned at 7:43

Next meeting April 5, 2021

Submitted by,
Gloria Bindelglass

EASTON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING – March 1, 2021
LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

1. Kevin Krug, our longtime Circulation Assistant, is leaving to take a full time Accounting position. His last day is March 2. His position is posted, and the closing date is March 5. I have already received about 15 resumes. I am hoping to have the position filled by April 1.
2. I am excited to announce that we have a wonderful new group of Friends of the Library! We have a President, Treasurer, and two Co-Secretaries, along with seven other interested participants at the last meeting. They're incredibly enthusiastic and motivated, and they've been brainstorming some great ideas!
3. 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 family 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.
4. Our Spring event with ECC and Park & Rec will be a spelling bee for all ages, called "Super Spelling Smackdown." It is scheduled for Friday, April 23 at 7pm. Possible summer collaborative programs include a Drive-in Movie Night, another Kahoot! Trivia Night, a StoryWalk, and Geocaching.
5. Upcoming special programs include the following (all are virtual):
 - 3/2 – Dr. Seuss' Birthday Story Time Read-a-Thon (Gr. K-5)
 - 3/12 – Comedy Night (18+)
 - 3/22 – Spring Kahoot! (Gr. K-5)
 - 3/25 – One Book/One Town Community Read Book Discussion (Adults)
 - 3/31 – Blood Drive
6. We will be participating in the Virtual Town Meeting for new residents on March 11. Mary Beth has put together a couple of slides with basic info about our programs, collection, and services.

Submitted by Lynn Zaffino
2/25/21