

**Easton Public Library
Board of Trustees Special Meeting Minutes
Zoom Meeting (recorded)
October 4, 2021**

Present: G. Bindelglass, V. Rozo P. Wizda, S. Pearlman and L. Zaffino Guest: Renee Neiger

1. Meeting was called to order at 7:06pm.
2. Approval of Minutes: Meeting minutes from August and September were approved by Veronica seconded by Paul. All members agreed.
3. Treasurer's Report: The report was distributed by Adrienne in her absence. Discussion was had regarding who can have access to the library account that is housed in Vanguard. Veronica will contact Christine Calvert for clarification.
4. Library Director's Report: Please see attached.
5. Bills and Communication: One thank you note was received from Linda Dollard. A few additional donations were also received. Any bills received were paid.
6. Public Participation: Renee discussed that the book sale was a success.
7. Old Business:
 - a. Fine Free Status: Currently Easton was fine free until 9/30/21. More libraries are becoming fine free indefinitely. Our fine free status will be extended until June 30 2022 and will reevaluate at that time. A motion was made by Shari and seconded by Veronica. All were in favor.
8. Children's Expansion: The Board has decided to table this line item until the environment is more favorable. Lynne has requested that perhaps while we wait, the back patio can be repaired so that it is useable in the transition.
9. New Business:
 - a. Lawn Sign Exhibit: The circumstances regarding the removal of the lawn signs in September was discussed.

Motion for adjournment made by Gloria seconded by Shari All members agreed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50

Next meeting: November 8, 2021

Submitted by,
Gloria Bindelglass

EASTON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
REGULAR MEETING – October 4, 2021
LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

1. This past weekend's Friends of the Library Book Sale was very successful. The Friends made close to \$5,000!
2. The 2-person work/study booth that we purchased with our grant funds will be delivered and installed within the next week or so.
3. For a language-learning digital resource, we have switched from Transparent Language to Mango, which will save about \$300 for the year.
4. Our next One Book/One Town Community Read will be *Piglet* by Westport veterinarian Melissa Shapiro. It is the story of a deaf blind pink puppy that Melissa and her family adopted, which has inspired a school curriculum called Piglet Mindset. I have already made arrangements for Melissa (and hopefully Piglet) to do a book talk. This will begin in January.
5. Upcoming special programs include the following:
 - 10/7 – Author Talk – Isabel Wilkerson (recorded for the National Book Festival)
 - 10/13 – AAA Retirement Program
 - 10/16 – Art Reception – Jonathan Milo
 - 10/18 – Rhyme Time (Ages 3-5)
 - 10/22 – Spooky Kahoot! (All Ages)
 - 10/25, 11/22 – Blood Drive
 - 10/28, 11/18 – Career Coaching
 - 10/29 - Author Talk – Angie Thomas (recorded for the National Book Festival) (Grades 7-12)
 - 11/6 – Local Author Talk – Stephen Cuddy
 - 11/16 – Author Talk – Michael J. Fox (recorded for the National Book Festival)
 - 11/20 – Art Reception – Easton Arts Council Photography Contest

Submitted by Lynn Zaffino
10/4/21