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Easton Public Library Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Minutes Zoom Meeting (recorded) December 6, 2021

Present: G. Bindelglass, V. Rozo P. Wizda, A. Burke, S. Pearlman and L. Zaffino Guest: Charlie Lynch

- 1. Meeting was called to order at 7:10pm.
- 2. <u>Approval of Minutes:</u> Meeting minutes from November were approved with minor changes. A motion was made by Shari and seconded by Adrienne. All members agreed.
- 3. <u>Friends of the Library Report:</u> Although Renee was unable to attend today, Lynn reported that the Christmas tree lighting and events surrounding the lighting were very successful.
- 4. <u>Treasurer's Report</u>: Was presented by Adrienne with a minor fluctuation in the balance which reflects the current market atmosphere.
- 5. Library Director's Report: Please see attached.
- 6. <u>Bills and Communication</u>: Two bills were received. Checks will be sent out. One donation was received this past month.
- 7. Public Participation: Charlie Lynch. Please see below.
- 8. Old Business:
 - a. Patio Improvement: Tabled until next month. Awaiting estimates.
- 9. New Business:
 - a. Charlie Lynch Giving Investment Advice: Other investment options for the Library fund were discussed. The Board thanks Charlie for his presentation. A motion was made by Adrienne and seconded by Paul to invest a portion of the fund (10%) into a dividend growth fund. Adrienne, Veronica, Paul and Gloria were all in favor. Shari voted against it.
 - b. Liaison for Friends' Meeting: As Linda is currently not able to be the liaison at the Friends' meeting, hoping somebody will be able to go in her place. Currently, the current board members are unable to make the Friends' meeting. As a side note, Lynn also attends the Friends' meeting. Will revisit this next month.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:10

Next meeting: January 3, 2022

Submitted by, Gloria Bindelglass

EASTON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING – December 6, 2021 LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- 1. The Friends of the Library Tree Lighting and Holiday Market will take place this Sunday, December 6 from 2-6pm. Santa and Ms. Claus will arrive at 3:30, the JBHS carolers will arrive at 4:30, and the tree will be lit at 5:00. There will also be refreshments, raffles, kids' used books, and a kids' activity table.
- 2. We had 9 more lawn signs stolen last week. A police report has been filed. The Easton Courier just did another story on the exhibit.
- 3. I am waiting for a quote to refurbish the back patio, which the Friends are willing to fund.
- 4. Our Staff/ Board luncheon will take place on Monday, December 6, starting at noon, in the Community Room. I will be getting the food from A&S Deli in Fairfield.
- 5. I had to order some additional parts for the outdoor tent (stakes and weights), which came to \$58.98. The Library will pay for this out of our budget.
- 6. Upcoming special programs include the following:

12/1-12/31 – Winter Library Scavenger Hunt (Ages 1-12)

12/5 - Friends of the Library Tree Lighting/Holiday Market

12/28 - Blood Drive

1/11 – Classic Film (Wells Fargo)

1/13 – DIY Candles (Ages 18+)

1/19 - Career Coaching

1/22 - One Book/One Town Author Presentation

Submitted by Lynn Zaffino 12/3/21