## Easton Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes Zoom Meeting (recorded) March 7, 2022

Present: G. Bindelglass, P. Wizda, S. Pearlman, A. Burke and L. Zaffino; Public: John Meyer, Nathalie Taranto

- 1. Meeting was called to order at 7:07pm.
- 2. <u>Approval of Minutes:</u> A motion was made by Shari and seconded by Paul to approve the February minutes. All were in favor.
- 3. <u>Friends of the Library Report:</u> They would like a longer wish list from Lynn so that they can better support the library. They have spoken to the Garden Club to hopefully partner with them to landscape the patio once it is completed.
- 4. Treasurer's Report: Remains stable. No real changes from last month.
- 5. Library Director's Report: Please see attached.
- 6. <u>Bills and Communication</u>: A few bills were received from the donations from the Giving Tree fundraiser as well as the regular Kanopy bill.
- 7. <u>Public Participation</u>: A suggestion was made to not only track the numbers of people walking into the library but what people were checking out as well including digital items.
- 8. Old Business:
  - a. 2022-2023 budget: Was presented to the Board of Finance last week. Overall, there was a net decrease in the operating budget next year from this year. It is unclear if the library will be called back for additional cuts.
  - b. Security Cameras: Lynn looked further into security cameras for the library security. Lynn spoke to other libraries to see what they use. She will talk to our police station as well.
  - c. Adding Alternate to the Board: The ordinance needs to be changed in order to have an alternate on the board. This will need to be voted on at the next town meeting which will be held in the end of April. The Board of Selectman suggested having two alternates with staggered terms.
  - d. Anne Lindquist Award: The date will be September 18th. Recipient still being discussed.
  - e. Children's Expansion: A discussion was had if we should pursue the project at this time. It was discussed that perhaps new plans should be drawn up preserving the patio.

## 9. New Business:

Meeting in Person: Tabled until next month
 Motion for adjournment made by Gloria and seconded by Adrienne. All members agreed.

Meeting adjourned at 7:56pm. Next meeting: April 4, 2022

Submitted by, Gloria Bindelglass



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## EASTON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING – March 7, 2022 LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- 1. The Friends have agreed to fund the refurbishing of the back patio. I am hoping to have it done by April.
- 2. The Library will be featured in the April edition of Easton Neighbors.
- 3. Kerry Santoro has gone back to her position as Youth Services Programming Assistant. We are currently interviewing candidates for the Circulation position, and I'm hoping to make a hiring decision next week.
- 4. We were grilled at Thursday's budget meeting with the Board of Finance, but we came prepared with data and talking points. Thanks to Veronica for her support!
- 5. We are meeting with the Easton Pride Committee next week to discuss how we can partner with them this year.
- 6. Upcoming special programs include the following:
  - 3/10 DIY Candlemaking (Ages 18+)
  - 3/12 Savard Family Art Reception
  - 3/17 Classic Film Wells Fargo
  - 3/15 Irish Step Dancing (All ages)
  - 3/19 Chess Workshop & Tournament (Gr. 6-12)
  - 3/22 Sensory Story Time (Gr. Pre-K 1<sup>st</sup>)
  - 3/23 AAA Retire Program
  - 3/24 EAC Macrame Workshop (Ages 8-14)
  - 3/24 & 4/28 Career Coaching
  - 3/26 One Book/One Town Author Presentation
  - 3/27 Movie Temple Grandin
  - 3/30 College Admissions Program
  - 3/31 & 4/28 Lego Master Builders
  - 4/7 Author Talk Jillian Celentano
  - 4/23 C2 Education SAT/ACT Practice Test
  - 4/29 Fun & Games Kahoot! (All ages)
  - 4/30 Holly Hawthorn Art Reception

Submitted by Lynn Zaffino 3/4/22