

**SOUTHFIELD PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
WEDNESDAY May 9, 2018, 7 PM
SOUTHFIELD ROOM**

- I. CALL TO ORDER - the meeting was called to order by President Rose at 7:02 pm

- II. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA ***Motion to approve the agenda by McCollough. Second by Selden. Motion carried 4-0.***

- III. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS
 - A. March 2018 Minutes - ***Motion to approve the agenda by Selden. Second by McCollough. Motion carried 5-0.***
 - B. April 2018 Treasurer's Report
 - C. Correspondence/Articles

- IV. FORMAL REQUESTS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD
 - A. Ari Mandelbaum – Mr. Mandelbaum was unable to attend.

- V. DIRECTORS REPORT
 - A. Personnel

Recent/in process hires:

 - Youth Intern – Liat Rothfeld started work on April 16, doing well
 - Librarian 1 – 2 people will be receiving offers of employment soon
 - Youth Division Coordinator – Charli Osborne has accepted the position and begins with SPL on June 4th

Positions ready to be posted:

 - Technical Services Librarian 3
 - ILS Librarian 2 – posting is closed, interviews begin shortly for 3 internal candidates
 - B. Building
 - Window repair & replacement project – Lansing Glass begun installation of replacement windows. Approximately 8 have been replaced so far. The first invoice has been received & is being paid
 - Storytime Room – project on hold until discussion with new Youth coordinator.
 - Carpet – Will replace most of the carpet in the Youth Room.
 - Audio/Visual upgrade – Project will involve replacing all the meeting room AV equipment (projectors, screens, microphones, etc.).
 - Fire Panel – City Facilities has agreed to work with National Time & Signal to upgrade our fire panel.
 - C. Programs

- Spell Bowl was held March 28 for a small group of 4 teams. We will re-evaluate the program before holding it next year to work on ways to increase participation.
- Battle of the Books was another rousing success. Please congratulate the youth librarians on their work toward this program without a coordinator.
- Fairy Tale Fete Week presented a whole week of programs for the younger set.
- Money Smart Week magic show was a great time.

D. Coming Attractions:

- Story Time continues on Tuesday & Thursday mornings at 10
- SPL is participating in the 1,000 Books before Kindergarten program to promote early literacy.
- Music of the West African Kora – May 6
- Robotics with LTU – May 7
- Creecy Book Club – May 8 & May 9
- Tech Talk – May 9
- Dementia, Communication & Changing Behaviors – May 12
- WEATHER FEST – May 14
- Eliza Neals & the Narcotics – Jazz & Blues – May 16
- LEGO+ night - May 21
- Tax Free Income Investing – May 22
- Internet Basics Class – May 22
- Tech Talk – May 23

E. Displays in May:

- Potawatomi Indians informational panels – Circulation Lobby
- Hats of Jean McDonnell – in the History Room
- Images of the Mind – P&R Oil Painting Class
- Photography by Brian Woolery
- Jewish American Heritage Month display in Reference

A. Local Library News

- Westland has hired a new director after years of turmoil
- Farmington is going through a rough time with their board due to local politics

VI. BUSINESS

A. Staff ice Cream Social – to celebrate our wonderful staff, the board approved spending up to \$50 on supplies to treat staff one Wednesday in June.

B. Art Commission

- i. Peacock – The Arts Commission has asked that the Northland sculpture by Arthur Kraft & Gwen Lux be placed in the Library’s front roundabout. **Motion to accept the Peacock as a gift with the stipulation that no restoration, installation or maintenance costs be borne by the library: McCollough Second: Selden. Motion carried 5-0.**
- ii. Whale & Fountain – Mayor Siver is working toward this goal with a vendor who has quoted \$150,000. He is fund raising now. The board reiterated that they do not want to spend more library funds on this project.

