

Denville Public Library
121 Diamond Spring Road
Denville, NJ 07834

The Board of Trustees of the Denville Public Library met in regular session on Thursday, July 13, 2023, in the Denville Public Library Meeting Room. The Vice President, Mr. Johnson, called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.

Mr. Johnson announced that adequate notice of this meeting was posted in the library and was provided to the Denville Municipal Clerk, The Citizen, and the Daily Record no later than last Tuesday in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act.

ROLL: Present: Seth Johnson
Michael Dunn
Robbie Simpson
Carlos Duarte
Tom Andes, Mayor
Linda Breder

Also Present: Siobhan Koch, Library Director
Anne Puppò
Staff

Absent: Susan Dyer
John Murphy, Council Liaison

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MINUTES: A motion was made by Mr. Duarte, seconded by Mr. Simpson, and carried to approve the minutes from June 8, 2023 and order them filed. A voice vote indicated all present in favor with no opposition expressed with Mr. Johnson abstaining.

TREASURER'S REPORT: A motion was made by Mr. Dunn, seconded by Mr. Simpson, and carried to approve the Treasurer's Report for the period ending June 30, 2023 and approve payment of bills on the Bill Lists dated June 30, 2023 and July 13, 2023.

Johnson __Y__ ; Dyer _NA__ ; Dunn __Y__ ; Simpson __Y__ ; Duarte __Y__ ; Andes __Y__ ; Breder _Y__

CORRESPONDENCE:

- Card from a patron saying how wonderful the staff are and that they are always helpful, kind, patient and go the extra mile.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- June 14 – Attended the presentation of “What is Woke?” that the Oaks had with Alexander Clemente
- June 19 – Siobhan and Ilene attended the presentation on Juneteenth that the Oaks had with Leslie Wilson
- June 24 – Juneteenth Celebration with Denville Voices inside the library because of weather with Maryellen and Chris
- The Used Book Sale was held 6/23-6/25 and raised over \$2,500. They had a good turn out of volunteers.
- June 24 – Morris County Pride event at CCM
- Multiple School Presentations regarding the Summer Reading program
- John Robinson has graduated high school and will be leaving his page position on 7/12/23. His hours are being distributed to other pages.
- There was an issue with our Eventbrite events not loading properly into the website. The website company worked with the app developer and got it resolved.
- Youth services summer programs are going strong
- June 11- Sunday Funday – Pride Month! 56 attendees
- Pokemon Scavenger Hunt was held at the library on 6/22 with 72 attendees, 6/23 with 56 attendees and 6/24 with 31 attendees. Disney Scavenger hunt started today, July 13th.
- Cardboard Explosion held at Town Hall for Grades K-6 had 111 attendees
- Outreach, book groups for adults and children’s storytimes continue
- 6/20 – Native Plants with Denville Sustainability Committee had 12 attendees
- 6/26 – Bat Walk with Denville Sustainability Committee was rescheduled to 7/5 due to weather
- The virtual author talks are well attended
- Seed Library – 21 patrons picked up 62 seed packets with 18 different types of seeds
- 6/2023 – The Municipal Alliance provided \$490 for yoga programming from their fiscal year 2022-2023
- 6/2023 – The Sustainability Funds from the Township purchased 500 Little Thunder Bags for the Library

STRATEGIC PLANNING:

- No comments or questions

MONTHLY STATISTICAL REPORTS (Statistical Report & Reference/Digital Resources Statistics Report):

- Statistical Report
 - Numbers are increasing. Beginning January 2024 offsite program attendance numbers will be included in the library attendance numbers.
- Reference & Digital Resources Statistics
 - No comments or questions

OLD BUSINESS:

- Building Update

- The roof leaked in 3 areas during the extreme rain storm. Children's leaked through the vent and the top of the window. We were told leak is due to the metal roof. The front entry way also leaked. We were told this leak was due to the small flat roof not being replaced and possibly the clogged gutters. The last leak in the janitor's closet was due to HVAC issue and sealing needing to be redone.
- School House Update
 - The architect is scheduled to go to the School House on Monday, July 17, 2023.
- Strategic Plan
 - No update.
- Audit
 - JIF is going to contact the Library attorney.

PUBLIC:

A motion was made by Mr. Duarte, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to open the Public portion of the meeting @ 7:39 pm.

- No public in attendance.

A motion was made by Mr. Duarte, seconded by Mr. Johnson, to close the Public portion of the meeting @ 7:39 pm.

NEW BUSINESS:

- The Board of Trustees were invited to attend the Summer Extravaganza on 8/11 @ 5:30 pm.
- The Library will have a table at National Night Out on 8/1 and Denville After Dark on 8/18. Still waiting to hear regarding 7/28 Denville After Dark.
- The Library has joined the new social media platform Threads owned by Meta which is like Twitter.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by Mr. Dunn, seconded by Mr. Simpson, to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 pm. A voice vote indicated all present in favor with no opposition expressed.

Carlos Duarte, Secretary