

Croton Free Library Board Minutes
March 27, 2017

Present: Trustees: Kelly Thomann, President (17), Barry Feinberg (18), Howie Myers (18), Leslie Ellis (19), Jessica Godwin (20), Sharyse Eisinger (20), Mary McFerran (21)

From the Association: Marianne Merola
Acting Library Director: Jesse Bourdon

Call to Order: Kelly called the meeting to order at 7 pm.

February minutes approved.

President's Report: Kelly

*Finance Committee met on March 6 to review budget options. The results will be discussed at next week's Board meeting.

Director's Report: Jesse

*E-Book Checkouts have dropped drastically (29%) from last year, possibly due to database changes at WLS.

*All-day events for all ages, such as Wellness Day, do well.

*ProBono Partnership meeting with Jessica and Barry was successful. Two cases have been reviewed; one has already been closed. Employee Handbook review is ongoing.

*The Annual Report has been submitted to WLS; awaiting corrections before Board approval.

*A digital scheduling calendar was implemented so all staff are aware of room use.

*Building assessment bids yielded one expensive bid remaining on the table. Tom Walsh (who worked on the circulation desk remodel) recommended a trusted person for a second bid for this long-range assessment.

*Applications are being accepted for a part-time maintenance position. Jesse will begin to reach out to find applicants.

*Senator Terrance Murphy recognized Croton Vietnam Vet Thomas K. Burniston on a Moving Hall of Fame Veteran's Wall at the Library.

*Jesse presented the opportunity for Board members to attend a ProBono Webinar for advanced education. Jessica suggested sharing this with other Croton non-profits.

Old Business:

*Kelly attempted to contact Liz Biddle to inform her that the library does not have a place for her mural. Mary suggested sending a note via postal service.

New Business:

*Board Member positions were filled by Marianne Merola and Sid Franks.

*Assurance for the Annual Report, the budget and staff/director's surveys were deferred to the next Board meeting.

Association Report: Marianne

* The Annual Meeting of the Association is on Tuesday, April 25th at 7pm in the Ottinger Room. Karen Zevin, current Treasurer, will become President and a new treasurer will be elected.

The next meeting is April 3rd at 7:30pm.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Sharyse Eisinger, Secretary