MINUTES
OCPL BOARD OF TRUSTEES’ MEETING

April 17, 2018
Central Library
4:00 p.m.

ATTENDING
V. Biesiada     D. Stack
T. Dodge        M. Treier
J. Hurst-Wahl   M. Tucci
E. Kochian

ABSENT
R. Engel        B. Morgan-Baker
R. Manning      C. Ondrako

ALSO PRESENT
J. Park         R. Dunsmore
G. Cox          C. Luddy
K. Coffta       D. Smith
D. Dell         G. Wisniewski

WELCOME
Mr. Kochian called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA
Ms. Biesiada moved the consent agenda, which includes the minutes from the March 28, 2018, meeting.
Ms. Stack seconded, the motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS
Local History/Genealogy: Mr. Smith gave the history on a small portable library collection from 1830-1840’s, which has been in the library for over 100 years. He spoke about the founders of this little free library and how one could order the books from sales person who went door-to-door.
Ms. Coffta presented the following two videos:
1) Literacy Champion’s Grant for Every Child Ready to Read initiative along with Imagination Library put a video clip together that highlighted the Play and Learn Centers within the libraries. Ms. Stack mentioned this video was broadcasted on WCNY.
2) GoPro video clip which was created by Ms. Luddy during a story time at Central to serve as a promotional piece on our Facebook page and our website.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT
Ms. Park reviewed her report to the Board.
She covered the following topics:
NYS Budget Update: They passed a total of $96.6 million in Library System State Aid and $34 million in Public Library Construction Aid.
Personnel:
- Administrator for Branches and Special Initiatives: Dawn Marmor has accepted the position and will begin on April 28th.

Ms. Park also met with Jessica Allen, David Chaplin, and Darrell Buckingham to review the library’s staffing plan.

Sorting and Delivery: Facilities has been very gracious in supporting us with sorting help in order to keep on top of it. Ms. Park said the sorting and delivery process works, it is not having the consistency in staff that is the issue.

ACTION/DISCUSSION

Action Items

Resolution: 18-11

Ms. Jill Hurst-Wahl moved the following resolution:

Resolved, That the OCPL Board of Trustees approves to remove Meg Backus, Central Library Administrator effective immediately; add Dawn Marmor, Administrator for Branch Services effective April 28th, and retain Janet Park, Executive Director; Edward Kochian, OCPL Board President; and Christina Ondrako, OCPL Board Treasurer authorized to sign checks drawn on the Trustees accounts including, the transfer of funds to/from all Trustees accounts.

Mr. Dodge seconded, the motion carried unanimously.

Discussion Items

UMS: the member libraries would like to investigate to raise the $50.00 limit to possibly $100.00 before a patron would go to the recovery agency.

Motion

Resolution: 18-12

Mr. Dodge made the following motion:

Resolved, that the OCPL Board of Trustees approves to rename the Community Room in honor of former library director Elizabeth J. Dailey in recognition of the significant accomplishments made during her tenure as Executive Director of the Onondaga County Public Library System.

Ms. Stack seconded, the motion carried unanimously.

FOCL

Ms. Biesiada mentioned that Sandra Barrett tendered her resignation and will be leaving FOCL on May 31st.

OCSLD

Ms. Wisniewski gave the following update:
The member libraries wanted to express their concern with the upcoming vacancy of the Librarian 1 position in automation that covers Polaris troubleshooting issues.
COMMITTEE REPORTS
Government Relations  Mr. Dodge reviewed the past and future activities of the committee.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT  Mr. Kochian handed out an article on why it is so important to be surrounded by books.

Other  Ms. Stack mentioned that she has worked with several member libraries with the ALA grant application for the Great American Read.

Ms. Dunsmore reminded everyone that we are still collecting flags for proper disposal. It will take place at the Watch Fire at the NYS Fairgrounds on the Sunday before Memorial Day.

ADJOURNMENT  Mr. Dodge moved to adjourn the meeting.
Mr. Kochian adjourned the meeting at 4:50 p.m.

Gail M. Cox
Administrative Assistant