**Franklin Public Library**

**Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

**August 28, 2017**

**Present**:  Sandi Brandfonbrener, Monique Doyle, Kathleen Gerwatowski and Doug Newton of the Board and Library Director Felicia Oti. Suzanne Stilgoe was absent.

**Call to Order**:  Monique called the meeting at 7:11 p.m.

**Public Comment**:  None

**Minutes**:  The minutes from the June meeting were approved.

**Report of the Board Members**:

**Monique:** The July book sale yielded $1332.50 and the August book sale yielded $1500. The next book sale will be held in November when the library has reopened.

Monique addressed the Archive Access Policy. The number of hours available to access the archives was considered and Felicia will discuss the hours with the staff. The Board will vote on the Archive Access Policy at the September meeting.

**Kathleen:**Kathleen shared two pieces from this summer’s Boston Globe magazines sections.  One was devoted to borrowing non-traditional items from public libraries and how patrons are enjoying checking out a wide range of useful objects.  The other piece was devoted to incentivizing summer reading for children. Should children need to be compensated for reading?  Is this the right message to send to children that reading should be rewarded?  Felicia indicated that Caleigh Ross, the Youth Services Librarian, has already become aware of this trend and given it consideration when programming.

Kathleen also shared some ideas for adult programming from area libraries and the Austin Public Library in Texas.  Children’s programming is typically popular while adult programming can be challenging.

**Library Director**:  Felicia shared a draft of the “Franklin Public Library Construction & Relocation Update.” The Board studied the draft and made revisions. The update will be posted on social media and copies will be placed inside books which circulate on or before September 16th.

Felicia discussed the “Roadmap to Municipal Appropriations Requirement” PowerPoint which will be shared with the Town Council. The Board made suggestions to the document.

**Next meeting**:  The next meeting will be held on September 25, 2017, back in the Franklin Public Library!

**Topics for next meeting:**At the next meeting, we hope to approve the Archive Access Policy and review the Roadmap to MAR.

**Adjournment**:  The meeting was adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Gerwatowski

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