

## Library Board of Trustees (Monday, November 16, 2020)

### Members present

Carolyn Guy, James Hanley, Tressa Setlak, Carolyn Roth, Sandra Hauenstein, Michael Dunn

### Meeting called to order at 10:00 AM

- Voted to approved October 2020 minutes as presented.
- Voted to approve the EALS as presented.
- Voted to approved the November Treasurer's Report

### Directors Report

- Anniversaries: Michael Blackwell celebrated his 5 year anniversary
- Hip Hip Hoorays!: Amy Ford and Sara Stephenson - for providing the Library's Zoom account to the League of Women voters candidate forum.
- New Staff Introductions from SMRLA and SMCL - Introduced new Assistant Branch Managers for Lexington Park Library.

### Budget review - We are well within expenditures so far this year.

- FOL and Foundation Updates - The FOL is now accepting donations at their original location and they have an online bookstore. They are hoping to have a Spring Book sale in March 2021. A Foundation mailing was sent out which generated 13 donations.
- Grant for Community Garden submitted -for \$5,000 native garden grant at Leonardtown Library.
- Mobile Library - Beth Roth wanted to have a discussion about getting a Mobile Library in St. Mary's County. We would need at least \$100,000 and 1.5 FTE to start this and this is a low estimate. We can start talking to the county and working towards as we do not have the funding at present.
- State Library Group has asked Senator King to introduce a bill about eBooks in Maryland something similar to one that passed in NY which says that if a publishing offers an eBook to the general public they must also offer it to libraries a reasonable cost. Asking for legal rulings on some specific points and the AG's office said that all issues would need to be proved in court.
- Audit update—still expected - received the draft audit last month and found errors in it. We are still waiting for revised draft audit. We need to look at how much we spent from the friends which actually comes from the fund balance.
- Operations update: COVID response on 11/12/2020 - Changed our operations to resurgence of COVID in our county. Worked with the County and County Health Dept that in our county that it is all community transmission. We are going to contract somewhat. We will allow public visits by appointment only to use the computers for 1 hour which can be extended based on circumstances, copiers and fax machine.