

BOARD OF LIBRARY TRUSTEES MEETING

March 12, 2020

PRESENT: Jeanne Cianciola, Chairperson
Emily Blampied, Secretary
Virginia Johnson, Library Director

Call to Order/Public Comments/Reports: The meeting was called to order at 3 p.m. by the chairperson; there were no public comments. The secretary's report from February 13, 2020, was distributed, reviewed, and unanimously accepted. In lieu of a treasurer's report, the director noted that the John Curtis Trust reported \$882,135.50 with a quarterly report due soon from the Mann Trust.

The director's report included information RE: building issues(leak in radiator in the Phillips Room is being repaired, grasses cut and area raked); collection issues (Envisionware supporting concerns with Jamway coin-ops); staff issues (Lynne Goodwin to be "second in command" during director's vacation from March 15-27, new reference librarian Michael Long to start on March 23, student intern Emily Abbott working during the month of March inventorying the Historical Room).

New Business:

- A. Hanover corona virus situation is very fluid. If need be, the library/COA/and schools will close for 14 days.
- B. The director's time of the Public Library Association's Conference in Nashville, February 25-March 1, 2020, with a theme of "Equality, Diversity, and Inclusion" was very successful both as a participant and a presenter.
- C. A reference librarian, Michael Long, was been hired and will start on Monday, March 23, 2020. Presently the IT specialist for the Thomas Crane Libraries in Quincy, Michael is completing his MLS, graduating in May, 2021.
- D. In response to a question asked, it has been confirmed by the MBLC that there is no conflict of interest when trustees are also members of the Friends. (It is actually encouraged.) To participate in membership drives or book sale activities is not a concern.

Other Business:

- A. Many of the groundskeeping issues have been addressed with work to continue.
- B. Our director will be on vacation from March 16 through March 26, 2020.

The meeting adjourned at 4 p.m. with the next meeting scheduled for Thursday, April 9, 2020, at 3 p.m.

Emily Blampied
Secretary

Documents distributed:

BOLT agenda 2/12/2020
Secretary's report 2/13/2020
Correspondence with MBLC

Director's report
PLA Conference summary