

Minutes

Ardasley Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting,
Thursday, October 25, 2018

Attending,

Peter Keil, Valerie S. Lalli, Susan Morduch, Rosemarie Marcus,
Susan Randol, and Michael Wiskind.

Marianne Ripin, *Children's Librarian.*

Joann D'Emilio, *Village Board Liaison.*

Absent, Stephanie Bonney, President, & Angela Groth, Library Director.

Call to Order, 8:00 P.M.

Approval of Minutes of July 26, 2018. CORRECTIONS: Michael did not attend the September 6th WLS Trustees' meeting alone – Valerie Lalli and Susan Morduch also attended. Then, Susan Randol motioned to accept the minutes as amended, Michael seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

Treasurer's Report. Valerie Lalli motioned to pay bills totaling \$7,340.70 as submitted on the abstract prepared by the Village Treasurer October 19, 2018 (11:40 AM). Rosemarie Marcus seconded, and this motion, too, carried unanimously. A discussion preceded it, cued by Michael's observation that our monthly figures might be seen more broadly, or in context, or evolving, not just as in the plain nick of time as is our habit.

President's Report – Rosemarie chairing and reporting in place of Stephanie.

A discussion of the summer's survey of Library use and patron preferences, as well as a discussion of the survey's qualities, then the possibilities of increasing Library staffing.

[Copies of the survey questions and responses have been given out before and were referred to this evening. A new copy of the personal responses, Question 5, is attached to these minutes.]

Susan Morduch and Susan Randol will discuss the issues with the Village Board in November, date *tba*.

Valerie attended the October 5th meeting of the WLS Trustees (Taxter Road). From her email: in the spotlight, Lauren Moore from the Pioneer Library System, a NYS-chartered, coöperative serving the forty-two public libraries in Ontario, Wyoming, Wayne, and Livingston Counties. Reflections on the role of the Trustee.

Following Valerie's report, a discussion of the need to revisit and possibly revise our own policies.

About the Friends. Rose Peña will retire as President of the Friends January 1st. Her place will be filled by Amy Bendell, Carla Moopenn, Jessica Morganelli, and Elizabeth Mueller, the four who have been active in the Friends. Rosemarie will continue as liaison.

Xavier Chavarro will perform a classic guitar recital in the Library on Friday, November 16th, 6 to 7 PM.

Director's Report. Marianne Ripin reporting in place of Angela.

Total Circulation for September, 7,345.

Total Intra-Library Loans for September, 2,753. (Received, 1,786; Sent, 967.)

People Count for September, 5458, an average of 227 for the 24 days open.

What's New @ . . . [my notes are not clear; details of October's activities will be added to the November report.]

Building Maintenance – no report.

Outside Maintenance Report – Larry Nardecchia, Jr., an Ardsley Garden Club member, was asked to report on his observations and list priorities.

Highest: to repair a 2½ inch tripping hazard, a liability, on an approach to the bridge.

Others: shutting off outside faucets, shimming up the fountain, placing permanent blocks under the two benches around the fountain, and trimming a broken branch on a tree at the end of the bridge walk, then putting mulch at the tree's base.

The Highway Department will be notified about the hazard and then followed up with an in-person.

Larry was asked to continue his reporting for our next meeting.

Report from the Village Board Liaison – The Village Board is planning for the repaving of roads throughout the village.

The Liaison, responding to the Larry's report, added a concern about the lighting from the parking lot to the library proper.

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Paper copies of these minutes will be given out on November 15th.

The meeting adjourned at 9:35.

The next meeting, Thursday, November 15, 2018, 8:00 P.M.

*Respectfully submitted,
Peter Keil,
November 14, 2018.*