Alden Ewell Free Library Minutes – Board of Trustees October 2, 2017

Vice President William Chapman opened the regular bi-monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Alden Ewell Free Library at 6:56 PM on October 2, 2017, in the excused absence of President Susan Sabers-Chapman. Present: William Chapman, Joy Insinna, Tanya Lords-Quinn, Carol Dubel, Rebecca Moe and Association Member Renee Nelson.

A moment of silence was observed in memory of recently deceased Association Member Salvatore Sardella.

Agenda approved (C. Dubel, J. Insinna)

Minutes of the Regular (9/18/17) meeting were approved (J. Insinna, T. Lords-Quinn)

Financial Report:

Treasurer Joy Insinna stated that, as there have been no changes in the financial reports since the September meeting, a new report was not required.

Library Manager's Report:

Manager Rebecca Moe reported on September programming, the Used Book Sale profits of \$315 to date, the receipt of Senator Gallivan's \$2500 check, and the continuing progress on the Teen Area. She also disclosed that a request has been received from SOFA (Society for Financial Awareness) to hold a local workshop on Medicare or Social Security at our library in October or November. After discussion, the Board agreed that this would be agreeable provided that the group complete our required paperwork. Also, the B&ECPL is requesting donations of several needed items for victims of Hurricane Maria in Puerto Rico. She will contact Ms.Testa-Cinquino to determine what time/deadlines are in place. Board members were in agreement to participate if time allows.

Association Report:

None

Communications:

None

Unfinished Business:

Ms. Colleen Pautler of Alden State Bank met with President Susan Sabers Chapman and discussion was held, including stocks & bonds and higher rate CD's. Further options need to be explored; matter tabled. The Board will request a completed membership list from J. Craft, who has been collecting responses to our two mailings. Decisions will then be made regarding termination of those not responding. Tabled. Trustee Lords-Quinn reported on her research into various fund-raising options, particularly chocolate candy sales. After discussion, Board agreed that selling candy bars purchased at a local warehouse store appears to be the best profit option. Ms. Lords-Quinn will purchase one box as a test, and response will determine future action.

New Business:

The Sardella family has requested donations to the Library in lieu of flowers. The Secretary will send a letter of appreciation for this gracious gesture.

Next Regular Meeting: Wednesday, December 6, 2017 at 6:00 PM.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 PM (C. Dubel, J. Insinna)

Respectfully submitted,

Carol C. Dubel, Secretary