

Town of Tonawanda Public Library

Board of Trustees Meeting

Tuesday December 12,2023

Attendees- Mary Muscarella, Richard Geer, Annette Della Posta, Stanley Pustulka, Marney Klein, Thomas Reigstad, Sharon Sullivan

Excused-Mark Jowett

Meeting called to order at 5:35 at the Kenmore location.

Motion to approve the agenda made by Annette, seconded by Sharon.  
Motion carried.

Motion made by Marney, seconded by Tom to accept the minutes of the 11/14/23 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

Motion made by Annette, seconded by Kathy to approve the bills for payment and accept the treasurer's report. Motion carried.

REPORT of CHAIR- Report on the 11/18/23 ACT meeting. Highlights were reports from libraries on various "Friends" and fundraising activities. John Spears gave an update on book banning activity. Rick suggested arranging the BOOKMOBILE at the new Brighton Recreation Center once it is open.

Report of DIRECTOR- Review of November 2023 monthly report(attached).

The Kids Craft and Carry program will be cancelled at both locations as it was primarily for use during Covid, and participation has been low.

Assemblyman Bill Conrad will be at the Kenmore branch Monday 12/18/23 at 1pm for a library advocacy meeting. Board members are encouraged to attend.

Discussion of Public Art project – Mary had samples of Mosaic displays which we will consider. The Town will be funding this project.

Mary has recommended, and the Board agreed with volunteer Kevin Garvey receiving this year’s Frederick Parkhurst Award. Kevin has been a long-time computer coach at the Kenmore location.

Friends had a book sale 11/30-12/2/23. There will be a check presentation to the Board at a future meeting.

“One Way” notices are helping the traffic flow in the parking lot. The Town will provide more signage.

The refund check for the broken chairs was finally received and deposited.

Board members contributed to the annual staff appreciation collection. Mary will host a pizza party and hand out gift cards to all the staff.

NEW BUSINESS- -Review of both the Meeting Room Policy and the Whistleblower Policy will be rescheduled for the January meeting as there were recommended changes.

There being no further business, Annette made the motion, seconded by Stan, to adjourn at 6:50 pm. Motion carried.

Next meeting will be on Tuesday January 9,2024 at 5:30 at the Kenmore location.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Kanaley