

Meetings Attended/ Events at the library and in the community

- March 2- opened 11 am due to snow
- March 3- NJLA Microconference on Coding at Piscataway Public Library from 9-1 pm – Zino
- March 4- Staff Renovation Committee from 1:15-2:30 pm (Alles, Bilodeau, Briant, Metrick, Zino and Parker); Drop in for eBooks/ Hoopla from 6-7 pm (Briant)- 2 attended
- March 5- closed all day- snow
- March 6- Staff Renovation Committee from 2-2:45 pm (Alles, Bilodeau, Briant, Metrick, Zino and Parker)
- March 8- Student Exchange group used the meeting room from 1:30-2:30 pm- 16 attended.
- March 10- Legislative Visit to Assembly reps Greenwald and Lampitt from 2-3 pm- Briant, Bonfield, and Tumulty attended; Teen craft night from 6-7 pm (Coonelly)- 3 attended; Board Fundraising Committee from 7:30-8:45 pm (Piotrowski, Eklund, Marchand, Goodworth, Reynolds, Casale, and Briant.)
- March 12- Meeting with Joe Murphy on Haddonfield Foundation and collaborative projects from 10-11 am (Briant); Staff Renovation Committee meeting from 2-3:15 (Alles, Bilodeau, Briant, Metrick, Zino and Parker.)
- March 13- Professional staff Dept. meeting from 1- 3 pm (Bilodeau, Briant, Metrick and Zino)
- March 18- Conference call with Camden County Library on joint services from 1:15- 2 pm (Briant, Zino, Devlin, and Kelly.)
- March 19- Haddonfield Friends of the Library meeting from 7-8:30 pm- Briant and 11; Staff Renovation committee meeting from 12:30- 2:30 pm (Alles, Bilodeau, Briant, Metrick, Zino, and Parker)
- March 20 – Staff meeting from 9:30-11 am- 16 attended; Professional staff meeting from 1-2:30 pm (Bilodeau, Briant, Metrick, and Zino.)
- March 24- Library Board of Trustees from 8-9:20 am- 13 attended; Technology Tech Fest at Gloucester County Library from 9-1 pm (Mugler and Zino); Library Board Fundraising Committee from 7:30-9 pm (Piotrowski, Goodworth, Eklund, Marchand, Reynolds, Casale, and Briant.)
- March 25- Staff Renovation Committee meeting from 1-3:30 pm (Alles, Bilodeau, Briant, Metrick, Zino, and Parker.)
- March 26- Conference call with Cherry Hill Public Library for joint services from 12-12:25 (Briant, Zino, and Hardesty); LEAP demonstration and POLARIS visit from 12:30- 1 pm (Bilodeau, Briant, Metrick and Zino and 2 POLARIS/ III reps.)
- March 27- Professional staff dept. meeting from 12-2:30 pm (Bilodeau, Briant, Metrick, and Zino.); Computer training session on eBooks from 10-11 am - Zino
- March 31- Library Board Fundraising Committee from 7-8:45 pm (Piotrowski, Eklund, Marchand, Squadrito, Reynolds, Casale, and Briant.)

Library Renovation

The staff has done an amazing job of setting up the annex at 123 Kings Highway East. Many of the collections are moved onto the shelving already and refining will be done next week. The sale of furnishings today went very well. The movers hired by Sharon Parker have done a great deal of moving

shelving and other equipment to the annex. Overall things are going very well and you need to know what an excellent job our staff has done! The volunteers are also helping us.

As you know, the Borough awarded a contract to Premier Builders on April 14 for the general construction. Sharon Parker will have more information about the timetable for construction at the meeting.

The furniture sale concludes on April 25. Many items have been sold. Stop in on April 25 to see how different the library looks if you can make it.

The Fundraising Committee has been doing a lot of good work and John Piotrowski will report at the meeting. Amy Goodworth's tree mural has been very successful with sales of leaves. The tree will move to the annex. Mr. Bonnette has made a more concrete proposal to do an event in late June with the library as a co-sponsor at Grace Church. Mary Eklund will report on this at the meeting.

We are still trying to reach accommodation with the Borough regarding programming for children, adults and teens after the summer months. The Borough is allowing Jordan to do summer programs and has consented to the Library Board meetings in the conference room for the rest of 2015. We do need to come to a resolution for children's programming after the summer; our Friends meetings, a small amount of adult programs (book group and adult monthly events in the fall) as well as some teen events. The discussion will continue.

Contract for Moving Services to Storage

Bids were opened on April 23. We received 2 bids. Our attorney has recommended that we award the bid to the low bidder, American Interfile. You have received a resolution to award the contract in the amount of \$38,000 to American Interfile. From there a contract will need to be drawn with American Interfile. The 2 Sharons (Parker and McCullough) are discussing the form of the contract. Our attorney will work on this too. We will need a quick turn around time. Dates for moving collections to storage look to occur from about May 9-15. This is a little later than originally planned but the general contractor won't be starting as soon as we thought.

Library Budget

The Borough won't be introducing its budget in April. It may be as late as June this year. More information on this at our next meeting. As soon as the Borough budget is adopted, we can adopt our 2015 budget.

Library Audit

Our auditor, Ken Ditmars, has jury duty the day of April 28. He asked if he could present the final audit report at our May 26 meeting. He and I will work out our surplus calculation for the May meeting when he presents the final audit report.

Friends of the Library

The Friends of the Library have their annual program on Wed., April 29 at the Markeim Art Center at 7 pm. This year Maureen Fitzgerald is the speaker. She will talk about her cooking and work at the Philadelphia Inquirer. I prepared a resolution to honor Phil Shapiro, who is stepping down as president after more than 2 terms. You are invited to the event. The Friends are making good progress in an alternate site for the 2015 book sale.

Policy review

The professional staff has reviewed and recommended changes to our Library Code of Conduct and the Unattended Children policy. We reviewed these changes with our attorney and with Police Chief Stuessy. Some additional revisions were made after discussion with our attorney. These policies were submitted to Janet and Amy who are serving on the By-Laws/ Policies Committee. They are reviewing the information and after we meet to review committee input, the policies will come to the full board for approval. I also recommended to the committee, as I have to the full board in the past that we have a representative of the NJ State Library come to a future Board meeting to review the roles and responsibilities of the Library Board and Director / staff as they pertain to policy and other areas.

Personnel

As reported to Amy Goodworth, Ed Reinking, a library assistant, plans to retire on May 22. Larry Friant is taking a leave of absence and plans to return about June 2. We plan to start the search for our next electronic resources librarian next month.

Disclosure Forms

You should have received an email from Deanna Bennett requesting that you fill out the NJ Financial Disclosure form by clicking on this link: http://fds.state.nj.us/njdca_prod/login.aspx Your information from last year should be in. I completed mine with no problem.

Teen Tech Week was March 8-15. Erica Coonelly had a contest for teens to enter their favorite reading (in any format) on Instagram. Sedona Ryan won the prize for her entry. Erica also had a fun evening craft for teens to make arm bands/ bracelets using a flash drive. Three teens attended and enjoyed the creative event.

Legislative Visits to Assembly reps Lampitt and Greenwald and Senator Beach

NJLA made its annual advocacy visits to our local legislators in March and April. I serve as an advocacy captain for the 7th district. We visited all three reps. All three have agreed to sign on to a bill to increase Per Capital State Aid for public libraries from .41 to \$1.00 per person in NJ. The reps were more non-committal about the construction funding and the bill to allow an increase above 1/3 of a mil for public libraries. Senator Beach in particular was very supportive of the Haddonfield Library, our Friends good work, and how important libraries are to his constituents. Other library reps of the Cherry Hill, Camden County and Collingswood Libraries attended the meetings, as well as the NJ Library Association Executive Director Pat Tumulty.

eRate funding for our telephone service will continue for one more year. We have worked with the state library to file for telecommunications eRate discounts with an expansion for equipment for our Wi-Fi network.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Briant

Library Director on April 24, 2015