

BROOME COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Regular Session Minutes

January 5, 2017

Members Present: Nancy Abashian, Laura Evans, Kathy Jablonowski, Jesse Katen, Jennifer Monroe, Chelsea Reome, Margaret Shiel, Wendy Stewart, Amoreena Wade

Absent: Connie Barnes, Margaret Coffey

Also Present: Director Lisa Wise, Librarian Sherry Kowalski, CSEA President Michelle Ford, County Attorney Peter DeWind

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at by President Jesse Katen at 8:32 a.m.

Public Comments: None

Amendments to the Agenda: None

Southern Tier AIDS Program:

- In response to recent ODs at the Binghamton Public Library, Lillian Fan, Assistant Director of Prevention Services, and Emily England, Harm Reduction Coordinator, invited to present overview of programs and services in place for injection drug users and to discuss collaborating with the BCPL.
- STAP offers supplies for safer injection and hygiene and noted that the needle exchange is often a venue for accessing social services and programs. Enrollment and syringe-use is up, but cannot be sure that that's because of increased use. STAP is piloting a program called Health Hub, for which they've hired a physician and nursing staff—all part-time—working in an ER in Ithaca as well.
- STAP has trained 2000 responders in OD prevention and received reports of 400 reversals—using NARCAN kits—last year. Because Fentanyl is so often used to cut drugs, some ODs require more than one kit.
- Discussion of the complexity of addiction in our community, including in public spaces. Similarity of our situation to that of the Ithaca library noted Collaboration might include:
 - Trainings in OD reversal here
 - Displaying information about resources for treatment, harm-reduction and care-management via signage, training of staff, and a sharps container in bathrooms and/or a full-size kiosk outside for sharps drop-off.

Oath of Office: Kathleen Jablonowski sworn in as BCPL Trustee.

Minutes of Last Board Meeting: Approved on a motion by C. Reome, seconded by J. Monroe.

Appointments and Resignations: None

REPORTS:

Board President: J. Katen

- Continuing to work with SUNY Broome on using space in library. The math class slated for this spring likely to be cancelled due to low enrollment.
- L. Wise's yearly evaluation to be announced next month. She will provide appropriate instrument of evaluation. To meet with Chair of Personnel today.
- Committee Assignments:
 - Planning: C. Barnes (Chair), N. Abashian, M. Shiel, W. Stewart, C. Reome
 - Finance: N. Abashian (Chair), C. Barnes, L. Evans, C. Reome
 - Personnel: M. Shiel(Chair), C. Barnes, M. Coffey, A. Wade
 - Nominating/By-laws: J. Monroe (Chair), C. Barnes, L. Evans
 - Four County Liaison: L. Evans
 - Friends of the Library Liaison: M. Shiel, W. Stewart
 - Ad hoc Committees
 - Garden: C. Barnes, M. Coffey
 - Meeting Room Policy: disbanded
 - Two new ad hoc committees:
 - Fun with Fines: N. Abashian (Chair), K. Jablonowski, A. Wade, S. Steflik, S. Kowalski
 - Rebranding: J. Katen (Chair), N. Abashian, K. Jablonowski, A. Wade

Director: L. Wise

- Distributed pages for updating Board manuals
- Friends Annual Mtg. Jan 21 at 1 p.m. All invited and encouraged to attend
- Library Trustees' Association meeting here May 6: more information to come

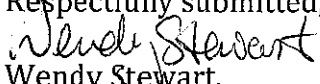
NEW BUSINESS:

- 2017 Holiday Schedule: Motion to add Dec 23 closure at 1 p.m. (since Christmas Eve falls on Sunday this year) and Nov 22 closure at 5 p.m. approved by A. Wade, seconded by K. Jablonowski.

OLD BUSINESS: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

Meeting adjourned at 9:33 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Wendy Stewart,
Secretary