

BROOME COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Regular Session Minutes

August 4, 2016

Members Present: Cheryl Ebert, Amoreena Wade, Laura Evans, Jennifer Monroe, Nancy Abashian, Margaret Coffey, Margaret Shiel, Library Director Lisa Wise

Absent: Wendy Stewart, Jesse Katen, Connie Barnes

Also Present: Proposed Trustee Chelsea Reome, representing Binghamton

The meeting was called to order at 8:30 by Vice President Laura Evans

There was no public comment.

Minutes were approved on a motion by Margaret Coffey, seconded by Amoreena Wade.

Director's Report:

- Hoopla went live on Monday, Aug. 1. On August 15, County Executive Debbie Preston will hold a press conference to announce this service.
- The budget meeting with the County Executive was held on July 28. Several members of the board of trustees attended, and the proposed budget was reviewed.
- Ordering and processing of new books will be done directly by the vendor Ingram on a trial basis, rather than through 4CLS. This should speed the process.

Reports:

Nominating Committee: Chelsea Reome was introduced to the board as a proposed candidate for trustee representing Binghamton. If approved, Chelsea will fill the unexpired term of Lisa Kost. A motion to approve Chelsea was offered by Nancy Abashian and seconded by Jennifer Monroe.

New Business:

- Dana Schmidt and Lily Moran presented "Story Circle", a project designed around local experiences from the regional flooding of 2006 and 2011. The focus is on promoting resiliency and community preparedness for such events.

Old Business

The Joint Library with SUNY Broome exploration will continue to proceed with "baby steps". There was discussion regarding the offering of a SUNY Broome math class at BCPL, but our facilities could not support the technology needs to do this.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:10 on a motion by Amoreena Wade.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cheryl Ebert".

Cheryl Ebert
Trustee