

OAKMONT CARNEGIE LIBRARY BOARD
January 9, 2019
Minutes

Present: K. Lascola, B. Mellor (non-voting) D. Ormay, N. Ride, L. Sliben
Excused Absences: M. Kissane, S. Michael, L. Osterhout

Chairperson Katie Lascola called the meeting to order at 6:37 p.m.

The minutes of the December 2018 meeting were reviewed. Nancy Ride moved the minutes be accepted with the amendment to change Stephanie Zimble's name from Gimble to Zimble. Laurie Sliben seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board reviewed the staff reports submitted by Karen Crowell and Stephanie Zimble.

Director Beth Mellor reviewed her report. She noted that Library room usage and foot traffic decreases during the month of December. It will pick up again in January. Cameras have now been installed in the lower hallway and in the Squirrel's Nest. The Squirrel's Nest will not open unless there's a volunteer there to staff it. Beth applauded the Board's fund-raising efforts in 2018. The SMART Board has not been installed; Beth will follow up with the sales person for an update.

The Board reviewed the budget. Beth noted that the 2018 book budget hit 9.5 of the state required 12%. The 2019 book budget is 12%.

Katie gave an overview of her meeting with the interim borough manager, Kevin Flannery (?). The Board agreed to assess the Library structure to determine next steps in terms of helping to craft a 5 year budget and a 5 year operating plan. The Board determined that the structural assessment should be done by an outside vendor without ties to the Borough. The Library will ask the Borough for funds for this assessment.

Nancy volunteered to serve as liaison with the ToTT Planning Committee.

The Board agreed to schedule a meeting with the FOOLS. It will be 2/13/19 and will be informal in nature.

Having no further business to discuss, Katie adjourned the meeting at 7:38 p.m. with thanks to the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

Deborah Ormay,
Acting Recorder