Thomas Crane Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes Draft

November 16, 2023 Main Library

Trustees Present

May Mayyasi, Arthur Foley, Corinne Mitchell, Liberty Schaaf, and Peter Tam

Staff Present

Director Sara Slymon, Technology Director Taylor Devlin

Call to Order

Chair Corinne Mitchell presided and convened the meeting at 8:41 AM.

Approval of the September & October 2023 Minutes

Ms. Liberty Schaaf made motion to approve September & October 2023 Meeting Minutes, Mr. Arthur Foley seconded, and all approved.

Director's Report

Ms. Sara Slymon reported on the hiring of both archivist positions. One person has started and the other will start in December. Ms. Slymon also reported on the new Father Bill's Facility and how it has affected/transitioned the homeless population that utilizes the library during the day. We also discussed threats that have been made to front line staff and action steps Ms. Sylmon and the team have made to support staff.

Treasurer's Report

Ms. Mitchell met with representatives from Citizens Bank. Plan to review next bank statement to make sure we are receiving a higher interest rate.

Friends of the Library

No report because Kristy wasn't here.

TCPL Foundation Liaison's Report

Ms. Mitchell reported that there is no information at this time.

Old Business

Trustees reviewed contact list and made more revisions. Ms. Mitchell reported that she sent flowers to celebrate appreciate bookstore volunteers on the 12th year of bookstore. Lastly, Ms. Mitchell reported that the bylaws revision waiting on banking decisions.

New Business

Mr. Tam brought up an idea for a youth scholarship for graduating high school seniors pursuing humanities. The trustees will revisit the idea next month.

Adiournment

With no further business, Ms. Mitchell adjourned the meeting at 10:04 AM. The Trustee's next meeting is on Dec. 14 2023.