

A regular meeting of the Trustees of the Public Library was held on Tuesday November 12, 2019 at 6:15 p.m. at the Main Library. Those present were:

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| Burstein | Livingston | Martin-Page |
| Goldman | Lohe | Mehta |
| Healy | Margolis | Vanderkay |

Also present: S. Slymon, Director; A. Reed, Assistant Director, E. Mitchell, Assistant Director of Technology; R. Sirois, Coolidge Corner Branch Supervisor; B. Zitin, Coolidge Corner Assistant Branch Supervisor; A. Hummel, resident opposed to facial recognition technology.

I Comments from the Public

Amy Hummel urged the Board of Library Trustees to oppose Facial Recognition Technology in Brookline.

II. Approval of Minutes

M It was moved to accept the minutes of the October 7, 2019 meeting. This motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

III Correspondence

Ideaspace bookmarks were distributed. K. Martin-Page reminded the Board of Library Trustees that all Trustee Committee Reports should be sent directly to her, copying S.Slymon and R.Healy. The Board of Trustees welcomed Ricky, Brita and Emily to their new positions.

IV. Library Director's Report

Circulation: The circulation stats were distributed to the Board. Overdrive continues to grow.

Financial: The rolling annual financial report can be found at:

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1Pw6i_vFQmky8ZDoMMMRdV_z](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1Pw6i_vFQmky8ZDoMMMRdV_z2xCEsElw9QhfQVI08RMY/edit?usp=sharing)

[2xCEsElw9QhfQVI08RMY/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1Pw6i_vFQmky8ZDoMMMRdV_z2xCEsElw9QhfQVI08RMY/edit?usp=sharing) All line items are on track for this time of year and the Director is keeping a close eye on the personnel line item.

This Month in Libraries: Newton is still without a Library Director. The Director shared the following NPR story about MacMillan and e-books:

<https://www.npr.org/2019/11/01/775150979/you-may-have-to-wait-to-borrow-a-new-e-book-from-the-library>. A lengthy discussion took place and several motions that were made were withdrawn. The Board of Library Trustees then tasked the Library Director to create publicity materials for preparation for a possible boycott of MacMillan e-content.

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Ideaspace: The Ideaspace is scheduled to be open in January after the painting, furniture, and carpeting are installed.

Branding: The library branding will be discussed at the January Trustee meeting.

Patriot Act: The library has not been served with any court orders since the last meeting.

V. Committee Reports

Staff Appreciation Committee Report: The Staff Appreciation Party has been scheduled for January 31, 2020. C. Chanyasulkit reported that set up will begin at 3:00 p.m., and clean-up should end by 9:00 p.m. The 2 massage therapists and the disc jockey have been confirmed.

The staff appreciation treats have been purchased and received. C. Chanyasulkit is still awaiting confirmation on the bartender and serving staff.

Staffing and Hours: The Committee met earlier tonight. The Director will meet with M. Goff, the Deputy Town Administrator this week to go over the library budget and to see if there is any resistance. The next step will be for the Trustees to campaign, publicize, and promote the extended hours to Brookline residents, Advisory Committees, and individual Town Meeting members.

Foundation: The Foundation has decided not to use the Giving Tree logo this year.

Programming: K. Livingston reported for Brookline Reads 2020 that there has been discussion regarding possible titles, themes, and location challenges for big name authors. As Brookline High School auditorium is closed, other Brookline sites are being investigated.

Friends: J. Vanderkay was disappointed to report that the Friends did not receive an award for the contributions to the Coolidge Corner atrium.

VI. Old/New Business

Change of December Meeting Date: In consideration of Special Town Meeting scheduling, Trustees were asked to let R. Healy and S. Slymon know whether they would like to meet on December 12th or December 17th.

VII. Adjourn

M There being no further business to come before the meeting, upon motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimous:

Voted: To adjourn at 8:15 p.m.

A true record.

ATTEST



Koinonia I. Martin-Page

Secretary

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