

MINUTES OF PEABODY INSTITUTE LIBRARY OF DANVERS MEETING

Wednesday, December 14, 2022

Present: Noelle Boc, Irene Conte, Julie Curtis, Charles Desmond, Christi Farrar, Natalie Luca Fiore, Donna Hopkins, Kenneth Yoon Lee

Absent: Michael Hagan

Call to Order: The December 14, 2022 library trustee meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by Chairperson Natalie Luca Fiore

The **Pledge of Allegiance** was led by Chairperson Luca Fiore.

Public Comments: There were no public attending for comments nor were there any public comments submitted for consideration.

Approval of the minutes of the November 9, 2022 meeting: A motion was made by Charles Desmond and seconded by Kenneth Yoon Lee to accept the minutes of the secretary for the November 9, 2022 meeting as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

Trustees Reports:

Chairperson's Report - Chairperson Natalie Luca Fiore explained there was no chairperson's report.

Treasurer Report - Treasurer Donna Hopkins reported the following:

| Peabody institute of Danvers, Inc. | October 31-Novembe 30, 2022 | |
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| Beginning Balance | 534,155.83 | |
| Deposits | 0.00 | |
| Income | 2,919.82 | |
| Withdrawals | 0.00 | |
| Expenses | 0.00 | |
| Changes in Value | 22,792.15 | |
| Ending Balance | 559,867.80 | Year to Date (13.50)% |

After the presentation, a motion was made by Julie Curtis and seconded by Jessica Cargile to approve the Treasurer's report. Motion passed unanimously.

Director's Report:- Director Boc reported on several things.

The Rotary Club of Danvers contacted Boc regarding any kind of volunteer work. Boc suggested they replace the Little Libraries and they are very interested in taking on this project.

The Joys of Winter art show was a great success in November. The show will stay up until the end of December. Patrons are encouraged to stop by and vote for their favorite picture to win the Most

Popular ribbon.

The Friends of the Library Open House on December 4th was very well attended, with about 150 patrons, and Santa and Mrs. Claus attending. The Friends also made a \$1,000.00 donation to the mural project.

The Menorah Lighting will happen on December 21st by the Pavilion starting at 6:30 pm.

The first budget review meeting was pushed back to December 15th.

The town is undertaking a wage comparison survey to make sure wages for town employees are competitive with other similar towns.

Wednesday, December 21st the library will be holding an all-day Solstice celebration for staff.

Old Business:

Director Boc reported that she was still working on the panic buttons. She will be ordering new ones.

The new signage is up and Boc will follow up on when the old signage will come down.

New Business:

Feedback on the town's budget FY24 objectives – Director Boc asked the trustees to review the town's budget FY24 objectives for further discussion.

There was a discussion regarding CORI checks for performers.

There was another discussion regarding a potential patron issue that has been brought to our attention

Adjournment: Where there was no other business presented, a motion was made by Christi Farrar and seconded by Donna Hopkins to adjourn the December 14, 2022 at 8:00 pm. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Julie E. Curtis, Recording Secretary