

Providence Community Library
Board of Directors Minutes
May 18, 2015
South Providence Library

1. Welcome and Call to Order

President Mark McKenney called the meeting to order at 6:05 pm.

Secretary Joan Dagle took the roll call of the board members, noting that 14 trustees were present making a quorum.

Present: Christian Caldarone, Elena Chiaradio, Joan Dagle, Deborah Del Gais, Grace Diaz, Margaret Gardner, Alan Gunther, Matthew Lawrence, Mark McKenney, Patricia Raub, Deborah Schimberg, Ellen Schwartz, Cyndie Wilmot, and Ken Wise. Silaphone Nhongvongsouthy and Bianca Rodriguez arrived after the roll call.

Absent: Avital Chatto, Althea Graves, and Rochelle Lee.

2. Minutes: A. Gunther moved that the board minutes from April 20 be accepted as recorded. M. Lawrence seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously.

3. M. McKenney welcomed Adilson Furtado, from the South Providence Library Friends. M. McKenney reported the disappointing news that the mayor's budget does not include the additional \$250,000 for PCL. He reported that he and G. Diaz met last week with the mayor's chief of staff and policy director, facilitated by T. Aguilar. G. Diaz reported positive feedback after the meeting. M. McKenney thanked E. Chiaradio and GTech/IGT for all their efforts on behalf of PCL.

4. Report of the Executive Committee

-M. McKenney reported that the Executive Committee met on April 30 to approve PCL's 990 Tax Return for 2013.

5. Director's Report: L. Marlane

-As submitted.

6. Program Coordinator's Report: C. Space, Youth Services Coordinator

-C. Space gave updates on three programs: RIDOT seat belt education (including Comics Consortium); Ready for K (expanded to eight libraries); Summer Reading Program ("Every Hero Has a Story"). Also: Story Corps is now active.

7. Finance Report: E. Schwartz

-Income statement ending April 30, 2015 accepted as submitted.

8. Development Report: S. Kumins

- S. Kumins reported that the April 30 event raised \$36,000 (after expenses); the event was an all-around success.
- The spring fundraising letter is in the works.
- The amount in the report for RI Health Center Association should include another \$3,000.

9. Facilities Report: C. Caldarone

- C. Caldarone reported on plans to implement facilities management software that will professionalize operations.
- The Smith Hill AC project will start soon.
- St. Theresa project update: design and financing under review. The building may not be able to house a full library plus all Administration offices.

10. Governance Report: P. Raub

- The committee is identifying and speaking with potential new board members. "Roles and Responsibilities for Friends Groups" is ready for the website. P. Raub will ask the Executive Committee to consider moving board meetings to Smith Hill in the future.
- Presentation: M. Gardner, M. McKenney, D. Del Gais, K. Wise, and G. Diaz reported on the OLIS-sponsored Trustees Institute (March 15); ideas on fund development were valuable.

11. Advocacy Report: K. Wise

- K. Wise reported that Tony Aguilar has agreed to be nominated in the fall to join the Board as an at-large member.

12. Public Comment

- E. Schwartz noted that Yamil Baez, former board member, is featured in the ProJo series on race.
- P. Raub announced that the Friends brochures are ready.
- C. Wilmot offered congratulations to D. Schimberg on receiving the Woman of the Year award from the Small Business Association.
- D. Schimberg announced that tickets for this year's PawSox fundraiser will be available at the next meeting.
- M. Gardner announced that Tony Estrella (Gamm Theater) will be at Rochambeau's annual meeting, June 1.

13. Adjournment

- C. Wilmot moved to adjourn the meeting; C. Caldarone seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:09 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Dagle
Secretary